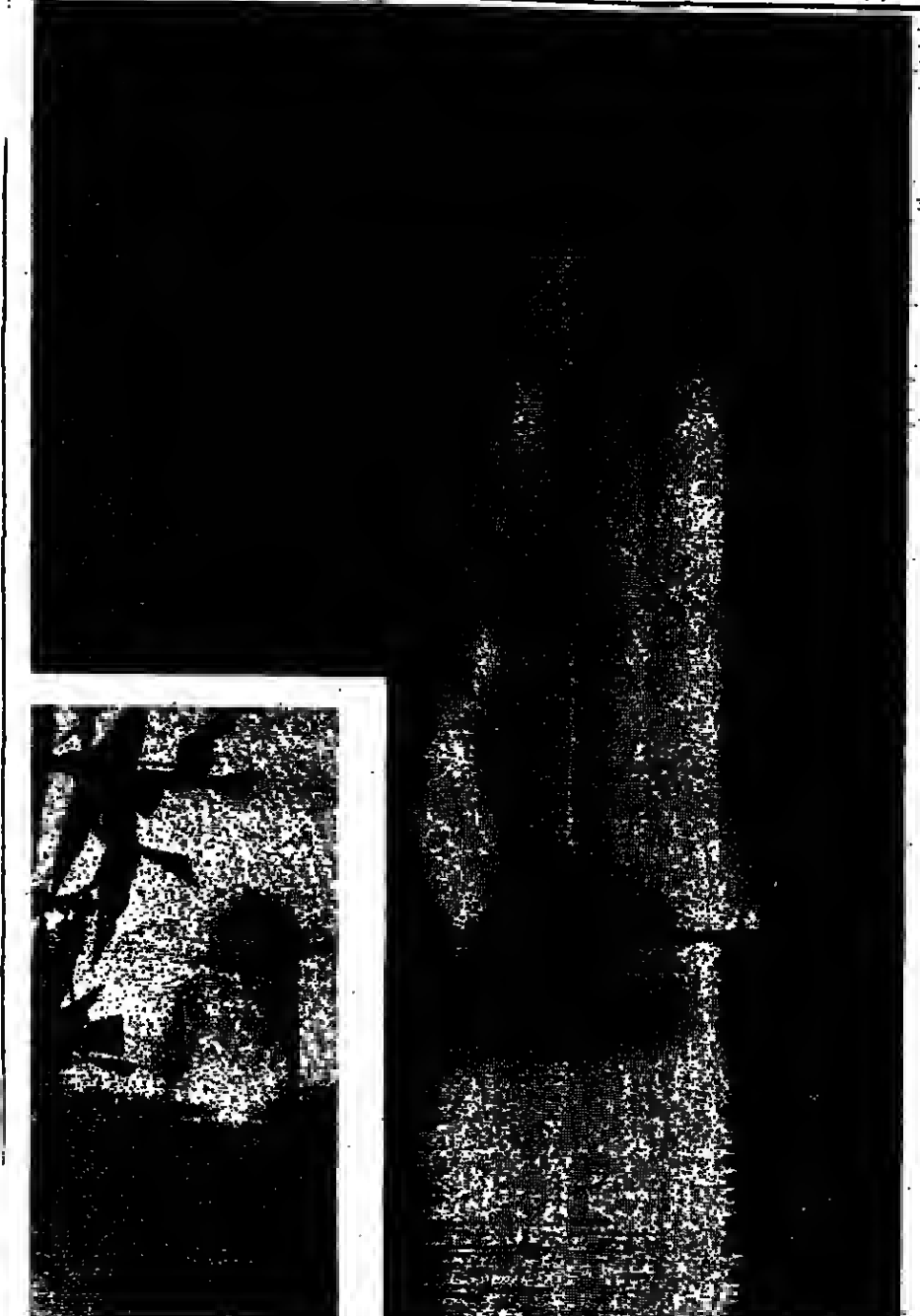


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LATEST IN JEDDAH: Shooting in the air more than 50 meters is this water fountain off the Corniche area in Jeddah. Drenched in green-colored lights, the fountain has become a landmark of the city. It can be seen hundreds of meters away and was built by the municipality to make Jeddah "the Pearl of the Red Sea." Motorists however in the Corniche area might be disappointed some nights to see no water shooting in the air as the fountain is still being tested.

## Bethlehem U ordered closed

TEL AVIV, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Israeli military authorities Tuesday ordered the indefinite closure of the university at Bethlehem following anti-Israeli demonstrations by students, including the hoisting of a Palestinian flag.

The move followed a 12-hour siege of the campus by Israeli troops which only ended when university rector Father Joseph Lowenstein, took down the flag himself after a promise by the army that no arrests would be made.

But a source close to the university administration said the occupation authorities had broken their word and made several arrests Monday night.

Meanwhile, students defied a ban on a

Palestinian folklore festival at Bir Zeit University, also threatened with closure, by holding a mock wedding ceremony accompanied by full traditional celebrations.

University acting governor Gabi Baramki and his deputy, who were to act as the couple's "fathers" stayed away, however, because they were threatened earlier the same day with expulsion from the occupied Jordan West Bank if they took part.

Students at Nabulus are also boycotting classes following an escalation of violent incidents with the authorities over the past few weeks, accentuated by the recent deportation of two West Bank mayors against the recommendation of the Israeli supreme court.



SAUDITECH '80 CONFERENCE: Officials and company delegates to the Sauditech '80 exhibition at Alghosabi Hotel concluded their two-day seminar Tuesday. Picture above shows from left: Ron L'Honnemien, program director for Yanbu city of Parsons Saudi Arabia; Nassar Nanyar, managing director of Middle East Trade and Exhibitions, the organizers of the conference; Taki Duleimi, executive vice president of Tihama, the sponsors of the conference; Richard Stacks, director general of Saudi Investment Banking Corporation; and Dr. R. Roberts, of the International Technology Group, Board of Trade, U.K.

## Joint ventures to be manned by nationals

By Gregory Llewellyn  
Al-Khobar Bureau

AL KHOBAR, Dec. 9 — Speaking before an audience of delegates at the auditech '80 industrial development conference, Sheikh Abdul Aziz al-Zamil, vice-chairman of SABIC, said Tuesday that there is general agreement among partners in joint ventures here that projects be manned insofar as possible by Saudi Arabians.

SABIC, which in 1979 entered into a joint venture with the German firm Korf to build an integrated steel mill with a capacity of 800,000 tons in one of four major projects undertaken that year, has recently doubled its training program for nationals studying abroad to accommodate 200 students. It is hoped that corporate training programs will ultimately attract 2,000 Saudis.

Sheikh al-Zamil expressed confidence that SABIC will have a

Saudi Arabian staff with sufficient managerial capability to be a truly Saudi enterprise.

The corporation, with paid-up capital of \$3 billion, has this year signed agreements with Shell Oil, Exxon Chemicals, and Mobil to launch major petrochemical complexes at the industrial townships of Jubail and Yanbu.

Al-Zamil's survey of industrial development in the kingdom touched on the difficulties and problems encountered in both the private and public sectors of the economy. He said of Saudi progress in industrialization that "what we are now witnessing is actually the start of something quite remarkable, whose full significance will begin to show in the next 5 years."

Observing that the government adopted a policy of encouraging joint ventures because it was essential to gain access to world markets and to develop manpower rapidly, Sheikh al-Zamil said that "with

present government support and policies, the private sector is quite capable of continuing its progress and to establish more projects in different parts of the country."

In what was described as one of the country's most ambitious training programs, Aramco maintains five large industrial training centers in the Eastern Province where students are taught English, mathematics, and science.

At present 13,600 company employees are enrolled at Aramco's system of industrial training centers and shops. A.M. Dildin, director of training at Aramco, told conference delegates.

Aramco, about half of whose work force is Saudi Arabian, has recently been training facilities at the rate of one month. The company, which supports more than 150 on-job training programs, budgets \$200 million annually on training, a figure which includes trainees' salaries.

## Fahd visits plants

By Shahid Orakzai  
Special Correspondent

ISLAMABAD, Dec. 9 — Visiting Crown Prince Fahd Tuesday inspected two major defense production complexes and said he was pleased with the progress of Pakistan.

Accompanied by President Zia ul Haq and some members of his delegation Prince Fahd was received by Air Marshal Saeed Sheikh as he flew into the Pakistan Aeronautical complex at Kamra (70 kms from capital). The complex of the Pakistan airforce includes rebuild factories of French built Mirage interceptors and F-6, the Chinese version of MiG-19 fighter-bombers.

Later the prince flew to Pakistan Ordnance Factories (POF) which produces small arms and ammunition. POF chairman Maj. Gen. Syed Ali Nawab briefed the prince in the model room about working, organization and potentials of this vital defense production complex and its future expansion projects.

Earlier Monday Crown Prince Fahd called on the Soviet Union to withdraw its troops from Afghanistan and leave the Muslim central Asian nation "to decide its own destiny".

The call came in a forceful speech interspersed by loud applause — at a banquet as the crown Prince expressed complete identity of views on major regional and international issues with his host President Zia ul Haq of Pakistan at the presidency here Monday night.

Prince Fahd declared "we support the Afghan Mujahideen and greet them for their struggle" and advised the Kremlin leadership that a withdrawal from Afghanistan would not only secure them, "respect from neighbors but also other third world nations".

He said that as a super power the Soviet Union was responsible for establishing peace and could do that only by withdrawing from Afghanistan and showing "respect to international law and principles of good neighborliness."

He said that a strong Pakistan was a guarantee for regional and global peace, and added "it is a fact that Pakistan would remain forever a formidable fortress to Islam".

Addressing Gen. Zia he said "we support the good efforts undertaken by the Organization of Islamic Conference under your leadership" for ending hostilities in the Gulf. Prince Fahd welcomed that the Iraqi government had "positively responded to these efforts" and called upon the Iranian brothers to respond to the peace initiative of the representatives of the ummah.

Discussing problems of the Islamic world Prince Fahd said the challenges faced today were so serious that the situation demanded of every Muslim to perform his duties not only to protect his own rights but of Muslims all over the globe. He stressed that the Muslims must not give in to differences amongst themselves "all those who try to create differences among Muslims are not from us and we are not from them."

## National oil company shortly Oil firms receive entitlements Jan. 1

By Scott Fendleton  
Al-Khobar Bureau

ALKHOBAR, Dec. 9 — SABIC and Petromin joint venture partners will begin receiving their crude oil entitlements on Jan. 1, Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al Zamil vice-chairman of the Saudi Arabian Industries Corporation told Arab News Tuesday.

Crude oil entitlements were promised to the companies who are participating in petrochemical and refining joint ventures at Jubail and Yanbu as an incentive for the huge capital investments they will be required to make.

The exact amount of crude that the companies would be allowed to buy was not established until after most of the companies had already signed their joint venture agreements. In fact this very point delayed negotiations by years in some of the projects.

But over the past several days other partners have signed entitlements agreement with Petromin, Al Zamil said.

These will permit the companies to buy about 500 barrels per day for every one million dollars invested.

Jack Butler, chairman of Mobil Saudi Arabia, said that his company will receive about 500 barrels per day per million dollars for its \$300 million investment in an ethylene plant at Jubail, but only half that per million dollars for its \$300 million investment in a refinery at Yanbu. That would be 225,000 barrels per day.

Butler declined to state the actual entitlement figure. He said that Dr. Abdul Hadi Taher, the governor of Petromin, told him that there was not an exact entitlement formula based on 500 barrels per one million dollars invested.

Other partners at Jubail who will be receiving crude oil entitlements are Shell, which signed its entitlement agreement on Monday for its participation in a \$3 billion ethylene plant; Exxon for participating in \$1.2 billion low density polyethylene plant (Jubail) and a petrochemical plant in a methanol plant, also in Jubail.

Final agreement has not yet been signed with Dow Chemical for an ethylene plant and Celanese-Texas Eastern for a methanol plant; a SABIC official said.

In another development the establishment of national oil company to replace Aramco will be announced in the next few weeks, according to Dr. Abdul Hadi Taher.

Dr. Taher said Tuesday, however, that



Abdul Aziz Al Zamil

Aramco would continue to operate as before, but with its decisions going before government officials.

Aramco, a former consortium of the four U.S. oil majors, Exxon, Social, Texaco and Mobil, was fully nationalized by the government earlier this year. Dr. Taher said the four partners had been fully compensated for their former assets.

A new government participation department has already been established near Aramco's Dhahran offices, Dr. Taher said. Its work, he added, is that of any other national oil company including participation in oil and gas discovery, production and marketing.

Petromin is now selling 1.7 million barrels of Saudi Arabia's oil per day largely under direct contracts with other governments, he said. However, the four former Aramco partners are continuing to market large quantities, and Dr. Taher said it was advisable that this arrangement should be kept to ensure the flow of Saudi Arabian crude to the international market.

Dr. Taher said that Petromin prohibited the payment of commissions to intermediaries, and that the company was applying to crude oil, refined products, and liquefied petroleum gas. The state agency also ensures that no Petromin oil reaches Israel or South Africa by stipulating the port of destination when a contract is signed, Dr. Taher said Petromin also reserves the right to cancel a contract if the buying party violates the agreement or gets involved in a campaign of publicity that is considered offensive to the reputation of the Kingdom, he added.

## Border tension erased

RIYADH, Dec. 9 (SPA) — Tension no longer exists along the Syrian-Jordanian border. Information Minister Dr. Abdo Yamani told reporters Monday night after a cabinet meeting.

The meeting was chaired by Second Deputy Premier Prince Abdullah who, at the initiative of King Khalid, mediated a dispute between Damascus and Amman last week.

Syria concentrated troops on the border with Jordan after accusing Amman of meddling in Syrian internal affairs. The accusation was denied however by Jordan, and the information minister said that Prince Abdullah's visits to both capitals succeeded in defusing the tension.

Meanwhile, King Hussein said there was evidence that Syria was pulling some of its 50,000 troops back from Jordan's northern border, but he added Jordan had not moved its forces back from the frontier.

"There is the beginning of some evidence of a (Syrian) pull-back," the king told an informal meeting of Western reporters at Bassman Palace in the Jordanian capital. He said Jordan would not be satisfied until the last Syrian soldier was out of the border area. He said Jordan had not yet moved any of the estimated 30,000 troops it sent to defensive positions along the northern border after Syria began its build-up Nov. 22, the day Syria announced its boycott of the Nov. 25 Arab summit in Amman.

Told there were reports from the Syrian capital Damascus that Jordan also was pulling back, he said: "If that is to be used as an excuse for their pulling back troops, then, well, good."

Syrian officials have said the troops were sent to Jordan's border area to force the Jordanians to stop alleged support for anti-Syrian terrorists and to force the Jordanians to forgo any plans for a go-it alone Camp David-style peace plan with the incoming administration of U.S. President-elect Ronald Reagan.

The king labelled these charges as fallacious, and said the Saudi Arabian mediator in the border crisis, Prince Abdullah, had not conveyed any such conditions to him.

"There were no conditions, and obviously if there, they could not be met," said the monarch.

In Damascus, Arab League secretary general Cheddi Klihi urged Arabs Monday to end propaganda battles between themselves, particularly Syria and Jordan.

Klihi is on tour to meet Arab leaders who boycotted an Arab League summit meeting in Jordan and had talks here Monday night with Syrian President Hafez Assad and Palestinian commando leader Yasser Arafat.

In a statement to reporters, Klihi said the League was trying to bring an end to propaganda campaigns between some Arab states, especially Syria and Jordan.

He expected the six League members who boycotted the summit to sign a key economic resolution adopted by the meeting.

The leaders voted to establish a five-billion-dollar fund to finance a decade of development in the Arab world. Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar are providing the money.

## Iran blasts oil posts; Iraq beats back attack

BEIRUT, Dec. 9 (AP) — Iran said its U.S.-made warplanes bombed and burned Iraq's two major oil loading terminals at the northern flank of the Gulf Tuesday. Iraq said it crushed an overnight enemy counter-attack to break a two-month siege of Iran's burning oil city of Abadan, killing 420 Iraqis.

Communiqués from Tehran and Baghdad reported their troops locked in trench-to-trench combat on the northeastern approaches of Abadan as the Gulf war flared into its 79th day.

Iraqi troops have almost surrounded the city of Abadan and are awaiting a political decision on whether to complete their encirclement or seize the town, according to commanders at the front.

They said they had cut all the roads from

Abadan and left the Iraqis with only a five-kilometer corridor to the south between the disputed Shatt Al-Arab waterway and the Bahmanshir river.

Reporters, who Monday were given the closest look at the war in this area since it began 11 weeks ago, were taken to Iraqi forward positions three kilometers east of Abadan.

They could see the tall chimneys and oil installations of Abadan and its huge refinery through whiffs of black smoke drifting over the horizon. Thousands of Iraqi troops, tanks and artillery were well dug in. Iran's Pars news agency said revolutionary guards hunted an Iraqi tank-led advance across the Bahmanshir river bridge, to storm into Abadan city of 35,000 inhabitants from its northeastern outskirts.

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## Israel grabs Lebanon land

SIDON, Dec. 9 (R) — Israel has annexed a new strip in the central sector of southern Lebanon, official sources said. They said a delegation from the Hula border area, about one kilometer from the Israeli border, had told government officials in Sidon that Israel had taken control of about 450 acres of Lebanese territory.

They said the annexation began shortly after last month's U.S. presidential elections and ended last weekend. Hula lies within the 10 km deep border strip which Israel-backed renegade Lebanese Army Maj. Saad Haddad has declared his own "free state."

## New European move unlikely

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Europe is not likely to make any initiative on the Mideast situation before U.S. President-elect Ronald Reagan's inauguration in January, Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali said. In an interview published in Al-Ahram newspaper Tuesday Ali said that Europe, convinced of the need for coordination with the United States, does not want to present a fait accompli to the new president.

But Europe should take up the Mideast

principles it adopted "under the Camp David accords so as to arrive at an overall settlement in the region," he said. Ali reaffirmed that Egypt was not against Jordan's participation in the peace negotiations concerning the Gaza Strip and the West Bank. Calling Soviet policies "a serious threat to security and stability in Africa, particularly the African Horn," Ali said Moscow always tries "to impose its influence through Marxist ideology," but if these efforts do not work, the Soviets have recourse to "military means."

## 'Acting' Soviet tanks enter Krakow

WARSAW, Dec. 9 (R) — Six Soviet tanks and dozens of Red Army infantrymen moved into the southern Polish town of Krakow — but the soldiers were Poles acting in a film on the life of Pope John Paul II. The public had been told in advance there was no cause for alarm.

The tanks and troops, Polish recruits dressed in Russian uniforms, were reliving the Soviet liberation of the city in World War II for the film. Local newspapers carried front-page notices on Saturday explaining the men and equipment were all part of a film set, apparently to avoid alarm when they appeared in the city area.

Travelers from Krakow said wartime German markings were painted on the tanks for their journey from outside bases to the city to make doubly clear they were film troops. Television news showed scenes of the tanks in action on broadcasts Tuesday night.

## John Lennon assassinated

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 (AP) — Former Beatle John Lennon, who catapulted to stardom with the long-haired British rock group in the 1960s, was shot to death late Monday as he entered his luxury apartment building on Manhattan's upper West Side, police said.

Authorities said Lennon, 40, was rushed in a police car to nearby Roosevelt Hospital, where he was pronounced dead shortly after arriving. Doctors said there was no chance to save Lennon. They said he suffered seven severe wounds in his chest, back and left arm, but they did not know how many bullets had hit Lennon, Dr. Stephen Lynn said, "I am sure he was dead when he was shot."

Chief of detectives James Sullivan said Lennon and his wife were walking through the Dakota's big arched entryway about 10:50 p.m. (0350 GMT) when a man approached them and fired five shots from a 38-caliber pistol. Lennon yelled "I'm shot" and staggered on a few steps into the building and collapsed, he said.

The assailant dropped the gun and was waiting when police arrived, Sullivan said. Police officer Anthony Palma said officers found Lennon lying face down in the office of the nine-story apartment building and carried him to patrol car. Miss Ono was taken to the hospital in another car, he said.

Palma said she became hysterical when doctors told her that Lennon was dead. "Tell me it isn't true," he quoted her as crying. Sullivan announced about three hours after the shooting that mark David Chapman, 25, of Hawaii, had been charged with murder in the case.



## Taif hospital to be expanded

## Ministers approve mental health plans

By a staff writer

JEDDAH, Dec. 9 — The Council of Ministers approved plans to expand services of the mental health hospital in Taif to 1000 beds, and to establish several smaller clinics in other major cities.

In a press statement Tuesday, Director of the Hospital Dr. Osama Al Razi said this will be the largest mental health program to be carried out in the country. A letter signed by Crown Prince Fahd to the Minister of Health Dr. Hussein Jazayeri approved the full expansion project and the acquisition of land adjacent to the hospital for the purpose.

Once the new site is built up, the old buildings will be repaired and redecorated to be used for convalescence and rehabilitation, the prince said.

A treatment plant for cleaning sewage water will be installed to make use of the water for the hospital's gardens.

Prince Fahd also approved the construction and staffing of clinics in Riyadh, Dammam, Hofuf, Medina, Abha, Abu Arish, Mecca, Jeddah, Al Jauf, Najran, Wadi Al Dawasser and Qassim. The number of beds will depend on the studied needs of the city and the surrounding areas. A book prepared by the Taif hospital staff said that mental health services are being expanded throughout the country. During the current five year plan, a general hospital will be built and adequately staffed in every city, and psychiatric unit will become part of the medical department at every hospital in addition to the clinics devoted to mental health care.

"One of the most serious difficulties facing

the country," the report said "is the acute shortage of trained mental health workers. Hence, due consideration is being given to manpower development in the future plans."

In essence, the report said the plans aim for the development of a countrywide mental health program with the aim of integrating it into the total health system. This implied a change of direction from the construction of large hospitals to the establishment of outpatient services, inpatient units in general hospitals, improvement of rehabilitation programs and the provision of differential care to special groups of patients such as the

mentally retarded.

The training programs had to be geared in this direction in order to equip the mental health personnel with the knowledge and techniques to cope with the growing psychiatric services using the new policy.

"At the beginning, simple and short training programs for nurses and refresher courses for the medical graduates engaged in the psychiatric hospitals were organized through the collaboration of the leading local staff," the report said. To meet the acute shortage of psychiatrists, general practitioners with experience in mental health care, and who had attended a training program, could be granted a special certificate to help them offer consultation.

The government showed a keen interest in the implementation of such a program and further consultation was held between Dr. Razi and Taha Baasher, regional advisor for the World Health Organization for the Mediterranean. A tentative plan and working program was carried out in 1976 with the support of the medical faculty of the University of Riyadh.

In addition to local professors, others were sought in Egypt, Holland, Pakistan, Sudan and the United Kingdom to help teach psychology, neurology and psychiatry. "In this way we shall be able to meet the shortage of psychiatrists in this country and we expect to be able to provide mental health services all over the country," the report said. The basic approach in mental health services has been developed in line with the general principle of incorporating psychiatric care into the general health system planning it as near to the community as possible, and distributing it evenly over the country in order to provide the necessary service.

## Majed opens exhibit

JEDDAH, Dec. 9 — Mecca Governor Prince Majed opened a Chinese trade and industrial exhibition at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Tuesday at which 51 exporters and manufacturers were represented.

A delegation of senior Chinese officials from the foreign trade development organization of their country attended the ceremony.

The exhibition is one of four displays of export goods which are being held in the Kingdom. One was held in Riyadh last week and there are two more to be held in Taif and Dammam in the next three weeks. The show includes building materials, canned foods, electronics, textiles, ready to wear clothes, handicrafts and recreational goods.

Speaking at a press conference, the Minister at the Chinese Embassy here Lo Loon said that Saudi Arabia and the Republic of China had increased their mutual trade 37 times between 1971 and 1979 by raising the volume from \$36 million to \$1.3 billion.



VISIT: Prince Fahd is given a tour during his visit in Pakistan.

## BRIEFS

## OIC Meetings Planned

JEDDAH, Dec. 9 (SPA) — Legal experts from Islamic countries will open meetings at the headquarters of the Organization of the Islamic Conference here Thursday to prepare a document on Zionist practices in the occupied Arab territories. The three-day meeting will also be attended by diplomats and intellectuals from the Muslim world.

## Races held

RIYADH, Dec. 9 (SPA) — The fifth camel and horse racing event of the season was held at Al-Malazz race track here Monday afternoon. Awards of the six races totaled SR71,000. Prizes were given by Saudi. Besides the cups and monetary awards, free return tickets on the domestic lines, to the Middle East and to Europe were granted to the winners.

## U.S. delegation received

DAMMAM, Dec. 9 (SPA) — Sheikh Hamdan Al-Snehi, secretary general of the Eastern Province's Chamber of Commerce,

conferred here Tuesday with a visiting U.S. trade delegation. Talks dealt with the means to bolster the various aspects of cooperation between the Saudi and American sides. The delegation arrived in Dhahran Monday evening on a three day visit.

## Tents donated

MECCA, Dec. 9 (SPA) — The Muslim World League has decided to send tents to Afghan refugee camps to help the refugees face winter conditions. It will also dispatch a number of Islamic propagators to teach the Holy Koran to the refugees' children, it was learned Tuesday.

## Majed visits vice committee

MECCA, Dec. 9 (SPA) — Mecca Governor Prince Majed Tuesday morning paid a visit to the Western Province headquarters of the Society for the Promotion of Virtue and the Elimination of Vice. He was met there by the head of the society, Sheikh Zaid Al-Rashud.

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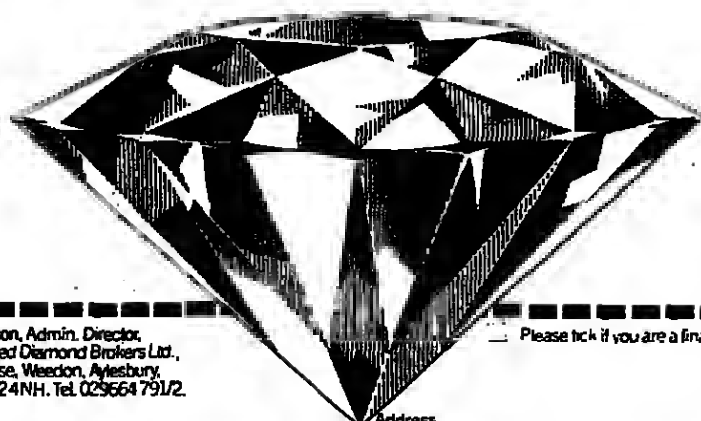
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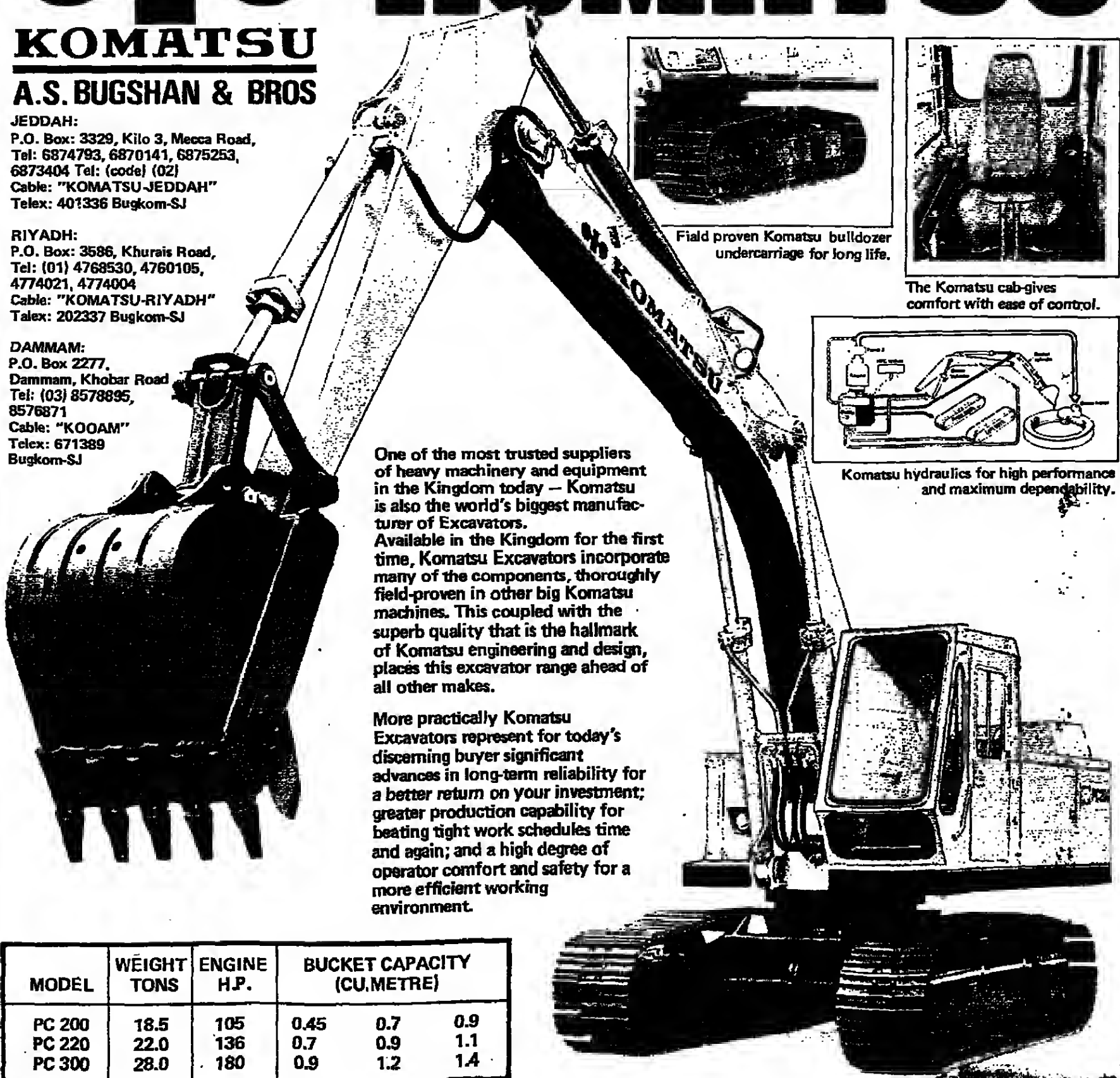
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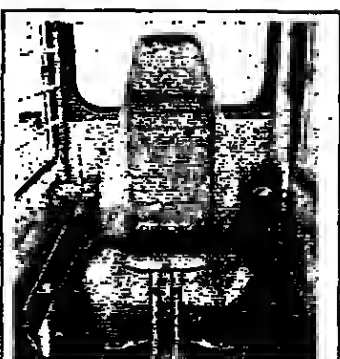
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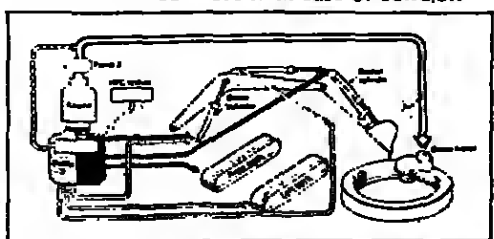
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## Riyadh rules under study, mayor says

RIYADH, Dec. 9 (SPA) — Efforts are under way to codify municipal regulations in Riyadh to provide more efficient cooperation among residents, and between residents and the municipality, an official said Tuesday.

Riyadh Mayor Sheikh Abdullah Al-Naimi said a seminar about the efforts so they might consider projects oriented towards the city's improvement. The seminar was organized by the Saudi Arts and Culture Society.

Sheikh Naimi also told the group that houses for those granted land plots as a result of their limited income, will be built in two years. The construction area shall not exceed 10 per cent of the 400 square meters allocated to each person. The mayor said the infrastructure would come next. He said he hoped that those given more than their share could return the extra land to the municipality.

In other developments, Saudi Arabia will send 33 Muslim students of various nationalities to prominent universities throughout the world to study for their doctorate degrees in science and technology, which Muslims are in dire need of. Officials announced that the scholarships will be awarded by the King Faisal Scholarship Fund.

The students are from Indonesia, Turkey, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Bangladesh and the Arab countries of Sudan, Syria, Egypt, Palestine and Jordan, according to Dr. Mahmoud al-Far, vice chairman of the Higher Committee for King Faisal Scholarships and higher education undersecretary.

The committee's selections were based on academic criteria. But mostly it is for students who earned honors and showed signs of promise, but could not travel from a lack of funds. Dr. al-Far said these students constitute a second group to be sent on such scholarship missions.



HONORED: Interior Minister Prince Naif attended a dinner party in his honor at the Saudi Arabian embassy in Pakistan during his recent visit to the country. He is seen here with the Ambassador Sheikh Samir Al Shihabi and others.

### By government

## Agricultural company formed

RIYADH, Dec. 9 (SPA) — The government will own 20 per cent of the SR 400 million capital of the newly-created National Agriculture Development Company while the remaining shares will be set for public subscriptions. Minister of Agriculture and Water, Dr. Abdul Rahman ibn Abdul Aziz Al-Sheikh, said Tuesday.

Upon the minister's recommendation Monday evening, the Cabinet meeting under Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard, Prince Abdullah, turned Harad Agriculture and Livestock Production Company into a joint stock company. Dr. Al-Sheikh said the move was part of an overall scheme by the ministry to develop agriculture in the country. He added that the Harad valley project will be the first one to be undertaken by the new company, which will invest in agriculture and livestock breeding throughout the country.

Dr. Al-Sheikh said he had recommended the change to the Cabinet on the basis of an elaborate study prepared by the ministry on

the condition of agriculture in the Kingdom with a view to fulfilling the aspirations of the third Five-Year Development Plan. The new company, he added, will increase cultivated land in the Kingdom for a greater production that will bring about a certain measure of self-sufficiency in agriculture and meat consumption. The company also will store and market its own products.

### Arab investors to meet

AL-KHOBAR, Dec. 9 (SPA) — Arab joint projects will be reviewed by the board of the Arab Petroleum Investment Corporation whose fifth session opens here Wednesday at Apicorp's headquarters.

According to Dr. Nureddin Farraj, the corporation's director, the board will evaluate the performance of the company and follow up the implementation of projects such as the Arab Industrial Rubber Project, the Arab Lube Oil Project and the Arab Petroleum Engineering Project in the United Arab Emirates.

## Telephone number changes near completion

RIYADH, Dec. 9 — Within a few days, Saudi Telephone will complete its telephone number conversion program, uniting all citizens across the Kingdom with a common numbering system.

On December 12, 1980 (Safar 5, 1401). The cities of Jeddah, Mecca, Taif, Yanbu and Medina will convert all their special service code numbers to three digits from the present two digits, and the cities of Yanbu and Medina will change all subscriber telephone numbers from the current five-digit system to the modern seven-digit system.

After December 12 (Safar 5), citizens anywhere in the Kingdom can dial the three-digit special service codes and be assured that the very same code is available in every city, greatly simplifying the task of calling for police, reporting fires or dealing with a car accident. The new three-digit special service codes will also allow Saudi Telephone to increase the number of special service number available to subscribers.

### Three-digit codes activated

At the same time, the conversion of subscriber telephone numbers in Yanbu and Medina to seven digits will, for the first time, give all citizens exactly the same numbering system. It will also provide sufficient new telephone numbers to accommodate the new customers currently joining the Saudi Telephone network.

The new telephone numbers are listed below: Saudi Telephone urged subscribers to keep these numbers in a handy location.

Effective Safar 5, 1401 (December 12)  
Service Code Conversion  
Jeddah, Mecca, Taif, Yanbu, Medina

Old Number	New Number	Service
9091/92	900	Long distance operator
94	904	Repair
95	905	Directory inquiry
96	906	Cable location
97	907	Traffic accidents
98	908	Ambulance
99	909	Fire Police

Number Change Conversion  
Yanbu, Medina

Old Number	New Number	City
2XXXX	322-XXXX	Yanbu
3XXXX	323-XXXX	Medina

NOTE: "X" represents the last digits of the telephone number, which do not change. Subscribers in Yanbu will have the numbers "32" added to the beginning of their telephone number. Medina subscribers will add the prefix "82."

The rapid expansion of Medina District's telephone network under the government's massive Telephone Expansion Program is illustrated by the size of the new Medina directory, which will be issued next month. The new directory, the fourth issued in Medina, will contain 100 pages of information, including listings of over 17,000 subscribers.

This represents a four-fold increase over the first issue. Special directory features include a personal numbers listing page inside the back cover, national and international calling rates, emergency numbers list inside the front cover, locations of subscription and payment offices, notes on using public coin telephones and information on international subscriber dialing. Telephone numbers of subscribers in Medina, Yanbu and Tabuk are listed.

### Abdullah discusses satellite projects

RIYADH, Dec. 9 (SPA) — Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah Monday received Dr. Ali Al-Mashat, director general of the Arab Space Telecommunications Organization affiliated to the Arab League. Mashat briefed the prince on the objectives, activities and achievements of the organization in the service of the Arab world. He also reported to him on progress in the Arab Satellite (ARABSAT) project. The prince expressed his satisfaction and wished the organization every success.

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## PLO lauds Percy support for Palestinian statehood

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 9 (AP) — An official of the Palestine Liberation Organization has welcomed as a "good omen" the support U.S. Senator Charles Percy has given to the creation of a Palestinian state led by Yasser Arafat.

Zehdi Lahib Terzi, the PLO's permanent observer to the United Nations, Monday said Percy's remarks to Soviet leaders in Moscow showed that the Palestinian question was "still alive and a hot issue within the United States."

But Terzi said he did not expect any immediate change in U.S. Middle East policies once Ronald Reagan moves into the White House next month. "There is no such thing as an abrupt shift," Terzi remarked, adding that he was well aware of the division between the executive and legislative branches in Washington.

However, the PLO official said he regarded Percy's views on Palestinian state-

hood as an indication that a new "dynamics is taking shape" and that influential American voices were "coming out with ideas that differ" from the long-standing U.S. position of non-recognition of the PLO.

John Walker, a Percy spokesman, has confirmed that the senator, who is likely to be the next chairman of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, felt "the Palestinian people should have a territory on the West Bank and in Gaza so long as it is federated with Jordan and is demilitarized for at least 25 years until they have demonstrated that they will live in peace without being a threat to anyone."

Walker said Percy was speaking for himself and not the Reagan transition team, which reportedly was angered by the remark.

The Israeli U.N. mission declined comment, but privately Israeli diplomatic sources did not disguise their dismay at Percy's view



Senator Percy

of the PLO, which they view as an organizing that is seeking to set up a state on the West Bank and Gaza Strip as a launching pad for the destruction of Israel.

One Israeli source said he expected Percy to adopt a "more responsible" position after Reagan takes office.

## Turkish minister confers with King Hussein

AMMAN, Dec. 9 (Agencies) — King Hussein has held talks with Turkish Foreign Minister Turgut Ersoy who is here on a three-day official visit to discuss bilateral and economic relations between the two countries, officials said Tuesday.

Turkmen arrived here Saturday and met with his counterpart Marwan Kassem and other Jordanian officials.

The Turkish minister affirmed that his

country would work toward strengthening friendly relations with all Arab countries. The officials said Turkmen has also visited Saudi Arabia and held discussions with Somali, Iraqi and Egyptian officials.

Turkmen said his government "agreed with Jordan's stand toward the Palestinian question and assured the Palestinian people's national legitimate rights and the establish-

ment of an independent state."

Turkey recently downgraded diplomatic ties with Israel. The move came after Israel had annexed Arab Jerusalem in August and declared it its capital.

On the Iran-Iraq war, Turkmen said Turkey was "totally neutral," despite the fact that Turkey allows the transport of food supplies to Iran through Turkey.

## West Bank unrest: Palestinian resistance triggers repressive measures by Israelis

TEL AVIV, Dec. 9 (OFNS) — The paratroop officers who make as well as execute Israeli policy in the occupied territories are turning their harsh attentions to the West Bank universities. The repressive measures taken against Palestinian resistance since May are being extended to higher education. The students especially at Bir Zeit, the traditional focus of Palestinian nationalism — are fighting back, against tear gas, rubber bullets and live ammunition.

Regulation 854, promulgated by the occupation military government last July, began to be felt with the opening of the new academic year in October. Munir Fathi, director of student activities at Bir Zeit, has accused the authorities of trying to control their minds.

"What the Israelis intend to do now," he said, "is to put their heavy hand over higher education just as they already control the schools."

The regulation gives the army a right to reject teachers who have committed a "security offense" or who have been held for questioning, a wide test obviously open to abuse. The military government also insists on vetting lists of teachers and students.

According to the regulation, students from outside the West Bank — that is, East Jerusalem, Gaza and Israel itself — require permits to enroll at Bir Zeit, or the other two Palestinian universities in Nablus and Bethlehem. Local students are also being asked to produce these documents at police checkpoints. Foreign teachers mostly from the United States and Britain, often of Palestinian origin, are finding it more difficult this year to obtain Israeli work permits.

Last June Bir Zeit submitted a list of 45 foreign teachers to the authorities. When the university asked about their permits this month, the army replied: "You have failed to

cooperate by giving us all the names of teachers and students, so why should we cooperate with you?"

One Palestinian-American, Abdul Jawad Barghout, a political scientist, who was planning a course on Arab culture, was told he was welcome to stay as a tourist but not to work at Bir Zeit. He and the other overseas teachers have been lecturing on a temporary basis with three-month visas. As far as his colleagues could tell, he was chosen at random. The Israelis have not accused him of links with a "hostile" organization. "If this became general policy," a veteran lecturer commented, "it would paralyze the university."

The authorities maintain that they are concerned only with "political activities," but the teachers are asking how to define politics. Bir Zeit, for instance, offers a course in Palestinian studies, which can hardly avoid being political. The students say that their textbooks and campus newspaper are being censored.

The Israelis claim that "political elements have been exploiting these institutions to advance their own aims and, in some cases, have used them to foment unrest among the students who are incited to carry on political activities hostile to Israel."

The defense ministry's "coordinator" of occupied territories, Maj-Gen. Danny Matt, alleged that Bir Zeit "has become a center for disorder and propaganda. All the groups comprising the Palestine Liberation Organization are represented there."

In the end, the dispute is not so much over academic freedom, but over occupation.

### BRIEFS

RABAT, (R) — The Moroccan Trade Union Federation (UMT) Tuesday called a 24-hour general rail strike in support of demands for a 7.5 per cent pay increase. In a communiqué the UMT said a pay increase promised by the authorities two years ago was to become effective in 1980 but had not been applied yet.

KUWAIT, (AP) — Egypt's foreign minister has been quoted as blaming arrogant Israeli behavior for the impasse in Palestinian autonomy talks. Kamal Hassan Ali, was also quoted in the interview with the Kuwait daily Al-Sayid as predicting U.S. President-elect

Ronald Reagan would not abandon the Camp David peace process.

BEIRUT, (AFP) — Gunmen kidnapped a Lebanese Jewish couple Monday outside their home in the west of the Lebanese capital here, reports said here Tuesday. The Jewish community's secretary general Selio Jamous said negotiations were being held with the kidnappers for the release of Albert Moussa Saad and his wife.

MANILA, (R) — Iraqi Foreign Minister Saadoun Hammadi arrived here Monday on the first leg of an Asian tour to explain Iraq's position in its conflict with Iran.

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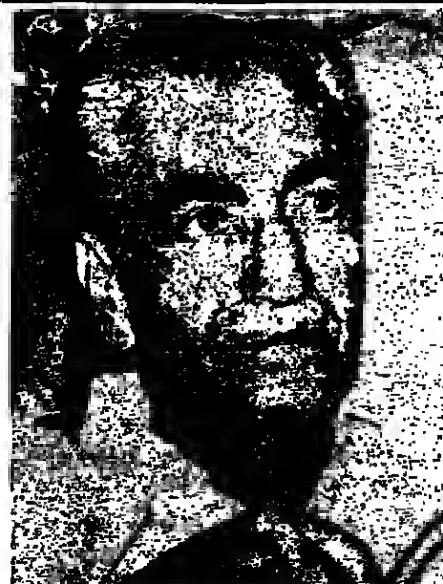
While the motives of the opposition to his rule are not analyzed by the Shah, its nature is described in detail. As we have already seen, he believed a conspiracy against him had started after his moves to lessen the power of foreign interests over Iranian oil, a conspiracy that, he says, was renewed in 1977. He claims that the Western media, controlled by these oil interests, mounted a concerted campaign against him: to anyone who read the Western press at

the time, is clearly a fantasy. Many leftists and liberals in the West protested against the Shah's rule and methods, and the press covered both internal and external opposition, but its attitude was always neutral or favorable to him. The Shah complains of the American policy of verbal but not material support, and voices suspicions that the CIA was involved in the conspiracy against him. This, too, seems far-fetched: America and the CIA had been probably his most valuable supporters throughout his reign, and though they seem to have abandoned him to his fate, the Shah produces no evidence that they acted to hasten his downfall. He mentions rumors that the CIA had been giving financial support to

the clergy and had stopped this in 1977, but says he had no knowledge of this. He admits that the secret police, SAVAK, caused unpopularity: on this question, the Shah hovers between denying that SAVAK committed atrocities and claiming that he had no control over its actions. At any rate, this is his explanation for the opposition of liberals. The rich, he says, disliked him for his distribution of land and enforcement of profit-sharing in industry. The Shiite clergy were certainly among his fiercest adversaries, despite his claims to be a faithful Muslim. This is explained by his account of his father's attitude to the clerics, which he shared: he believed that their influence should be purely spiritual and that relig-

ion should be kept separate from temporal power. This conflicted with their beliefs and traditions, and they resented the measures which diminished their authority, such as the institution of popular courts. The Shah's unsympathetic attitude cannot have helped; he believed that the clergy "wished the nation to remain submerged in abject poverty and injustice." And, of course, the Communists opposed him. The "Islamic Marxism" to which he refers was over a serious philosophy, but there is no doubt that the clergy and the leftists did come together, seeing him as a common enemy who must be removed before their own beliefs, whatever they might be, could prevail. But all these special interest groups, even if acting in concert, cannot account for the one million Iranians who demonstrated against the Shah in the streets of Tehran, and the hundreds of thousands in other cities. They cannot all have been professional agitators, reactionaries or Communists. There must have been a massive wave of truly popular opposition, committed enough to face death from the guns of the army (the Shah writes: "Police and security guards were forced to fire on the crowds in order to restore peace"). With a marked lack of taste, he dedicated this book "to the Iranians who suffered and died for their country."

What kind of man aroused this bitter hatred? An ambitious one, a romantic, one might even say a visionary: he dedicated his life to developing his country into a strong and modern nation, and he certainly believed, in spite of all evidence to the contrary, that he was acting in the interests of his people. And yet he was fatally alienated from those people, failing to understand their aspirations and the conditions in which they lived. The chapter describing his exile is the most revealing about the Shah as a man: waiting for a flight at an American air force base, he was accommodated in the psychiatric ward of the hospital, and complains, "The Empress grew claustrophobic. We simply could not remain in those quarters." He was looking for a home in Panama: "The mountains were lovely, but too isolated, and Panama City too crowded and noisy." Many of his people still lived in corrugated-iron huts. He emerges, too, as a man who saw persecution everywhere, almost to the point of paranoia: the CIA organized student demonstrations against him in America, the oil companies financed them, the British and American governments wanted him out, "McGovern in the State Department" favored an Islamic Republic in Iran. "In the West," he writes, "anything Marxist is acceptable: the policies of a socialist, center-left or right-wing government are not." Even apart from the absurdity of calling Khomeini a Marxist, the attitude of the press and public opinion in the West is almost universally hos-



SHAH: a sick and embittered exile



KHOMEINI: opposition rallied to him

gray-haired leaders take over

# Granddads drink the elixir of power

By Katharine Whitehorn

LONDON, (OSS) — Mrs. Thatcher may be her enemies, Jimmy Carter may lack teeth; but I have only just figured out what they're all about. They're far from young. Mrs. Thatcher will have his seventieth birthday in the White House; the combined ages of the Russian leaders is a figure almost greater than National Product; and Britain's Party has just elected as their leader Foot, a white-haired revolutionary

It's cheering, too, to realize that the race of ancient who sailed like comets across my childhood have not died out. They were as tough as old nails, and very hardy — take, for example, my great aunt Marion. She wanted to go to university, some time back almost in the last century; her father said no so she waited till he was dead and then went; she was then 40. Then she wanted to study art in Paris; her

tics, where you're best in your twenties; and then go on, in our thirties, to be singers and actors and executives.

For our forties, we'd choose professions where the ability to stay calm is an asset — teaching, say, or the law; and we could go on being company directors and doctors into our fifties — though not, please note, paediatricians, since mothers expect an unending supply of child-doctors as golden-haired and shining-eyed as their charges.

And at that point let us hope that the great call will come: as we puff up the hill home one night, anxiously clutching our hernias to our sides as the wind whistles through our thinning hair, may we find waiting at the gates a messenger, whose all-important document (once we've got our glasses out) we can read. It will say, "Come forth and lead your party to power; the nation has need of you."



REAGAN: even older

mother wouldn't hear of it so she waited till she died, and then went. She was by this time over 60, but went on painting with gusto long after she could see only through binoculars the far landscapes she loved.

I went to her ninety-third birthday tea-party; she said with some puzzlement that after 90, you age, rather. I see now that I should not have been sitting back admiring her; I should have been encouraging her to run for high office, or a top administrative job with the Royal Academy of Arts at very least.

It may seem odd that some people are chucked on the scrap heap at 60, while others are considered fit to run the country when they're years older. But there's no doubt that making demands of people, if it doesn't kill them outright, gives them a new lease of life.

Even Mrs. Thatcher, with her clear skin and beady eye, is at 55 at an age when many a housewife is sitting in her doctor's office sighing for sleeping pills. Reagan has looked noticeably younger (or maybe they're choosing kinder pictures) since he won the election.

The exercise of power may or may not be good for the powerful; but it's certainly good for the people; and those people — labor union leaders, for example — who look on early retirement as a benefit must be clean out of their skulls.

It's just a pity that we can't have all our jobs sequentially throughout our lives. We could start as swimmers, who peak at 16; go on to running, tennis and very high level mathema-

simly, the idea that a bit of youth and vigor is what a nation needs is becoming old. The time has not quite come when, if a man dies or is discredited (and that's harder every day), they go around the block's homes asking who is feeling up to it.

They haven't actually got to the point where a spry young applicant of 55, say, is 10 years too young for the job, better back when he's got more experience; it's on its way. It's extremely encouraging to see the past 40 to read of the aged actually somewhere in life.

With zip in the final blue rinse, spring in the step and steadiness in the quaver-voice, when you read how people who have been retired years ago in most cases now being wheeled out to lead their lives towards the future.

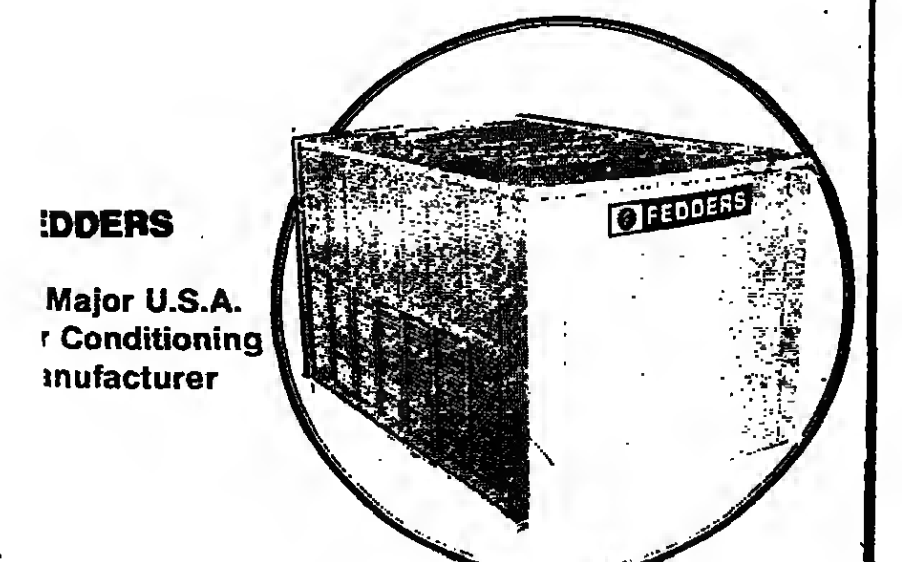
Hope for us all yet, we feel, and start fondly turning up the age of Grandma Moses, or thinking that Haydn wrote symphonies at 80.



FOOT: old

W.B. Yeats was in prime form till the day he died. We're historically minded, we can cheer with the thought of the Siege of Jerusalem, a tussle of wills conducted in the haze of a Mediterranean summer by men in armor all day and night and air padding under it. None of the allied leaders on either side was less than 60.

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## In New York

## Kingdom finances museum's Asian exhibit

By Susan I. Gray  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — A one-million-dollar grant from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has helped make possible the largest anthropological exhibition ever undertaken by the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

The exhibit, which opened last month at the glittering new Gardner D. Stout Hall of Asian Peoples, will take its caravans of visitors through recreated scenes of life from China 600,000 years ago, through the early civilizations of the Middle East to the late 19th century.

The collection displays some of the finest examples of Asian ethnographic materials in the Western Hemisphere, many of which have been donated from government or private collections and have never been on public view.

Saudi Arabia's involvement with the Asian collection began in 1974, a museum spokesman said, when Dr. Gardner D. Stout, then president of the American Museum of Natural History, visited the Kingdom.

Following his visit an agreement was signed between the museum and the Saudi

Arabian Ministry of Education which provided for the Museum to furnish technical advisors for the Kingdom's planned national museum system.

The spokesman said the Saudi Arabians have also received training in New York on exhibit and restoration techniques.

In addition to the \$1 million grant for the new Asian exhibit, he said that Saudi Arabia gave the museum an extensive collection of Bedouin materials, identical to those still in use throughout the Middle East.

The exhibits of Bedouin culture, which include a tent with men's and women's quarters, are displayed in the part of the new hall designated the "Arab World" and the "World of Islam."

The exhibit contains pieces from all over the Middle East and includes an inlaid table from Syria, a carved wood screen from Egypt and rugs from Iran.

One prominent display in the "Arab World" section is a life-sized figure wearing a costume belonging to Prince Said, a younger brother of King Faisal II of Iraq.

The section on Islam is dominated by a painting of the Grand Mosque in Mecca, and the geographical spread of Islam is shown in



EXHIBITION: a painter prepares a backdrop for the Asian Peoples display

the varieties of women's costumes — from Kashmir to Turkey.

The exhibit was constructed at a cost of \$2.8 million and contains over 3,000 artifacts. Most of the collection dates from museum sponsored expeditions to Asia from 1870 to 1920.

One of the goals of the new permanent Asian exhibit, the spokesman said, is to encourage better understanding of the traditional life of Asia's many peoples.

"There is a real ignorance of Asia," noted Dr. Walter Fairbridge, an anthropologist who

specializes in studying Asian peoples and who served as the scientific authority for the new hall.

"Too often, we have viewed Asia solely in terms of its material and spiritual exoticism," he told the museum's magazine *Natural History*. "The Museum hopes that this exhibition will help to change that perception."

Museum officials expect some three million visitors to tour the new hall during its first year. The museum is located at Central Park West at 79th Street and charges a discretionary admission fee of \$2.



COSTUME: once worn by Prince Said, brother of King Faisal II of Iraq

## International college planned in Japan

HAKODATE, Japan. — Plans for a forum of international education are being developed by the newly formed study group for the Establishment of the International University in Japan.

On November 19, 1980, one hundred twenty persons in educational, business and cultural fields met in Hakodate, Hokkaido, Japan to discuss the possibility of such a university.

Ideas have grown from a concept announced in January of this year by Terumasa Akio, who sees the need for an institution where students from all parts of the world can meet, study and work with Japanese students in a comparative studies program. The locale of Southern Hokkaido, in a natural environment near the national Ohshima Park, would allow students to live comfortably and to be able to interact with the peoples of the Japanese countryside.

Akio, in announcing his concept, appealed to the public to "make an international university by the hands of the citizens of the world in order to help cultivate a new generation able to contribute to world peace. Looking towards the twenty-first century and the development of humankind, with an understanding of the whole earth, various obstacles of nations, races and religions can be overcome."

The establishment of the Study Group has developed from two international cultural exchange programs held this summer and last when altogether sixty young people from twelve countries stayed for two weeks in the homes of Hokkaido farmers and worked with them in their fields.

The first gathering of eighteen people to discuss the university was at the International Hotel of Hakodate on June 2, 1980 and included the Mayor of Nanae who made an offer: "If such a university can be built, the town is willing to contribute its land adjacent to Ohshima Lake in the National Park. The campus, totally natural and undeveloped, is one of the most beautiful areas around the lake."

At the July 14 meeting, thirty-two people decided to establish two groups: the Study Group for the Establishment of the International University in Japan and the voluntary other Hokkaido International Cultural Exchange Center to continue the student-exchange programs.

In August, as part of the exchange program, the Center held a Symposium of Inter-

national Cultural Exchange sponsored by the Hakodate Lions Club and with the cooperation of three towns and their educational committees.

On September 29, at the third gathering, sixty people discussed future plans.

On November 19, with a speech by Professor Kiyoh Wadachi, former Chairman of the Japan Academy, the First General Meeting of the Study Group was held with one hundred twenty in attendance and the general membership of the group reached four hundred, men and women from all groups of the society.

At this meeting the rules were established and three representatives, well known citizens of Hakodate, were elected. Other administrative positions were accepted including Terumasa Akio as Managing Director for the promotion of this project.

Formally, the purpose of the Study Group is to

1. Study what is the most ideal international education;
2. Appeal to the world to establish similar study groups in many countries so that many viewpoints may be exchanged; and
3. Arrange in the future a meeting of representatives from many countries at a symposium to exchange ideas on establishing an ideal university for the next generation.

Hokkaido University assistant professor Fumio Yamazaki, who has contributed much effort towards these plans, spoke of his concerns: "Japan has economically reached the European level in only one hundred years since the Meiji Restoration, and in some fields Japan has become a superpower; certainly a huge country economically. Now, Japan must contribute to world peace and development. At the present time, with the increasing mutual dependency of the world, I wish to emphasize that it is current Japanese responsibility to propose to the world and proceed with developing a university to advance the knowledge of young people to act positively with a full understanding of the whole earth in international society."

Citizens of other countries can contact the group for further information and exchange of ideas by writing to:

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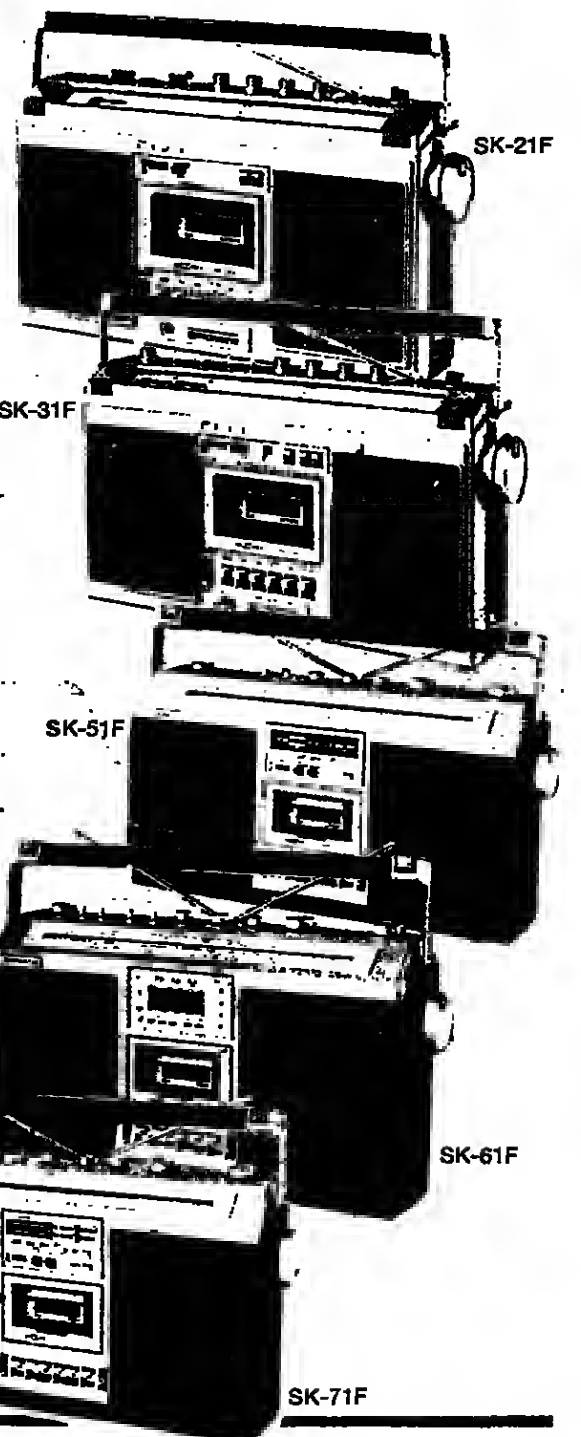
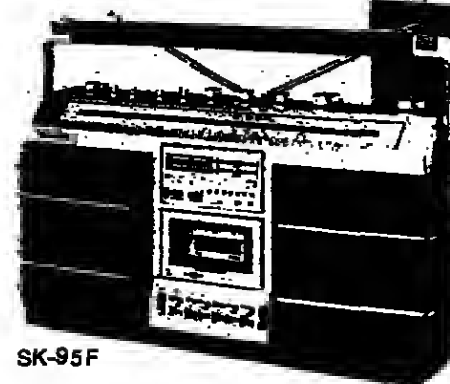
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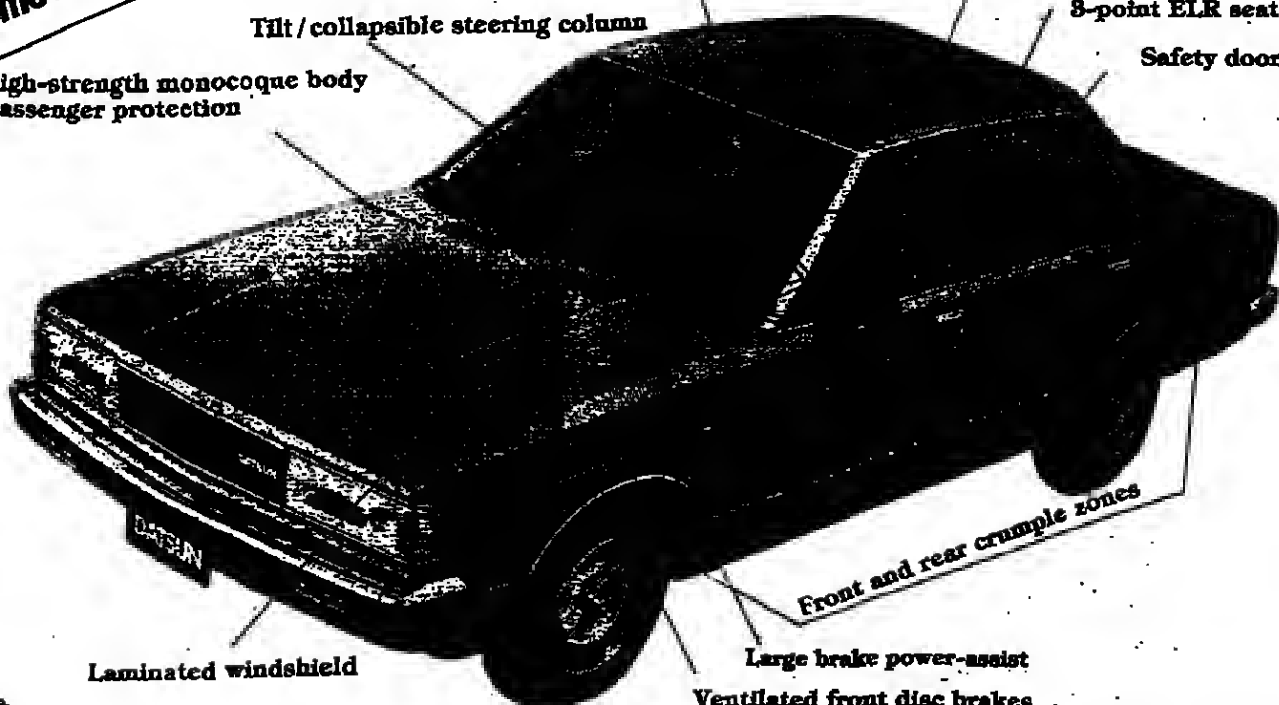
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## Obote seen likely victor in today's Uganda poll

KAMPALA, Uganda Dec. 9 (AP) — After a decade of bullets, Uganda turns to the ballot this week in another bid to bring peace and order to its national affairs.

Some 4.8 million Ugandans over 18 years old — 38 per cent of the population — are eligible to vote Wednesday to choose a president and 126 legislators for five-year terms, from 351 candidates put up by four parties.

After a turbulent campaign based on personalities and tribes rather than issues, many analysts believe former President Milton Obote, 55, is likely to regain power. Obote was ousted in 1971 by dictator Idi Amin.

The Uganda People's Congress, once a stridently socialist party that brought Obote to office in the 1960s, and the Democratic Party of Paul Seemogerere, strong among Catholics and Baganda tribes people, each predict they will win parliamentary majorities.

Trailing are the Uganda Patriotic Movement, a party of young intellectuals led by Yoweri Museveni, a Marxist-trained former guerrilla fighter, and Joshua Mwaya-Nkangi's Conservative Party, which dreams of restoring Baganda home rule and economic supremacy.

Because of transport and communications problems in a possibly close race, significant results are not expected until Thursday. Fifteen of the UPC's 125 candidates are unopposed. The DP has 110 candidates, the UPM 70, and the CP 46.

A top security official in Paul Mwangi's six-month-old military government said that troops were moving out to preserve calm at the polling stations, and that no troubles were expected. A spokesman for observers from the Commonwealth — the association of Britain and her former colonies — assigned to



Milton Obote

monitor voting, said procedural disputes among the parties were overcome, and that a "reasonably free election, within the laws of the country, appears possible."

Beyond party claims lies a growing awareness, reflected in conversations with many Ugandans, that the real issue may be the survival of a country that has squandered its fertility, minerals and one of the best-educated populations in black Africa.

Elections are the only apparent way, observers believe, for Uganda to break the cycles of violence that have ruined the economy, sapped national morale, deepened tribal suspicions and corrupted every level of society.

## Dublin talks fail to stop hunger strike

DUBLIN, Dec. 9 (AP) — Hopes of a compromise deal to end a 44-day-old hunger strike "to the death" by convicted guerrillas in British-ruled Northern Ireland faded Tuesday with no sign that either side is ready to give in.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Charles Haughey, the Irish Republic's premier, failed to hammer out a solution at a meeting on Monday and sources close to the outlawed Irish Republican Army said the hunger strike will "go on to the bitter end."

The failure of the Anglo-Irish summit reinforced the belief that one or more of the strikers will die before the end of month in pursuit of their demands that all jailed guerrillas be treated as political prisoners rather than criminals.

Seven men began their hunger strike in the Maze prison near Belfast Oct. 27. Three women in Armagh Prison joined them a week ago. Nine of the 10 are convicted members of the IRA's Provisional wing and one of the men belongs to the smaller Irish National Liberation Army.

Both Mrs. Thatcher and Haughey said they hoped that a British offer of general prison reforms in Northern Ireland would persuade the hunger strikers to call off their death fast, but there was no sign that the prisoners would give up and tensions mounted in the British province.

The IRA is fighting to end British rule in predominantly Protestant Northern Ireland and reunite the province with the overwhelmingly Roman Catholic republic.

## U.S. court scraps 'Wilmington' convictions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (WP) — An appeals court has thrown out the 1972 conspiracy and arson convictions of "The Wilmington 10," the North Carolina civil rights workers whose imprisonment prompted an international controversy about American justice.

A three-judge panel of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that there were critical unanswered questions about the credibility of key prosecution witnesses. Some received special favors from prosecutors in the case and one, the most crucial witness, provided different versions of the crime on two different occasions. "The conclusion is inescapable," the appellate panel said last week, that the prosecution's most crucial witness, Allen Hall, "perjured himself in his repeated, unfounded testimony... and its fact was bound to be known to the prosecutor."

These flaws led the human rights group Amnesty International to declare the Wilmington 10 America's "political prisoners."

## Healey tops list of Labor Party 'shadow cabinet'

LONDON, Dec. 9 (R) — Britain's opposition Labor leader Michael Foot has announced his team of principal spokesmen and made Denis Healey, the man he defeated in the party's leadership election last month, spokesman on foreign affairs. Healey replaces Peter Shore, a former trade secretary, who becomes finance spokesman.

Foot did not give a portfolio to the former defense spokesman, centrist William Rodgers, although he won a place in Foot's "shadow cabinet" — opposition counterparts of government ministers — in an election last week. The election of Labor's principal spokesman gave Foot, himself a left-winger, a team who are predominantly center-right.

The two wings of the Labor party are bitterly divided on several major policy issues and Rodgers is an outspoken critic of the left. He has strongly disagreed with Foot, who has long supported unilateral nuclear disarmament and British withdrawal from the Common Market.

Rodgers was known to have wanted to remain defense spokesman, or to be given another major post. But he was offered the job of spokesman on health or pensions, and turned them down.

The new defense spokesman will be Brynmor John, a little-known former junior minister. But he will not be a shadow cabinet member, and Foot said he himself will play a role in forming Labor's defense policy.

## Baron to surf again

PARIS, Dec. 9 (AFP) — French Baron Arnaud de Rosnay is determined to silence by Dec. 25 those experts who cast doubts on his claim to have windsurfed the 800 kms from the Marquesas Islands to the Tuamotu Islands in the Pacific Ocean.

The baron, who has become something of a folk hero in France, has not been able to fully convince his doubters since he claimed to have completed the crossing in September, particularly since for much of his journey, he was out of radio contact.

Currently in Tahiti, De Rosnay explained that he was set to repeat the crossing, this time with witnesses to end the argument once and for all. He explained, however, that conditions would not be as favorable now as they were in September. "It's summer here in Tahiti with extreme heat and little wind. With less speed it's going to be more difficult than in September to ride the currents," he said.

## Key witness lied

The civil rights workers, led by Ben Chavis, field organizer for the United Church of Christ, overthrew served as much as for years in prison before the last was paroled.

The racial controversy that became the Wilmington 10 case began in late 1970, when black students at the high school in that North Carolina town charged they were being discriminated against. Chavis went to Wilmington at the request of a black minister in January 1971.

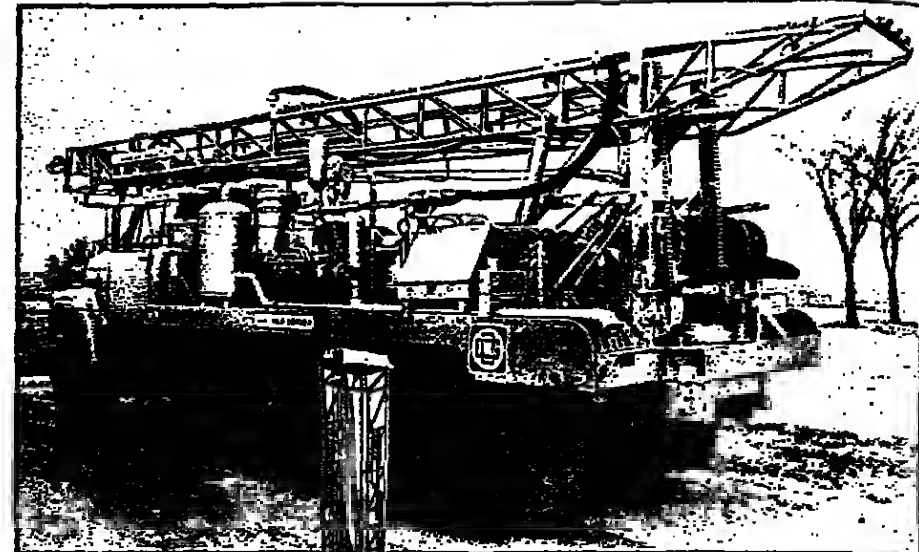
The next month, violence broke out and two persons, one black and one white, were killed. A white-owned grocery called Mike's was burned and Hall was soon charged with

arson. He later turned state's evidence and implicated Chavis, eight other black men and a white woman. After one mistrial, all 10 defendants were convicted and sentenced to long jail terms.

The appeals judges, in an opinion written by Harrison Winter with John Butzner and James Sprous, said that Hall's testimony differed in 15 different respects from a statement he had earlier given the prosecutors. Yet the prosecutor and the presiding judge refused to let the jury see the statement and thus be made aware of the contradictions.

The court also cited special treatment given Hall and another witness, Jerome Mitchell. They were allowed to stay at hotels and in a beach house, instead of in jail. They were allowed a visit to their homes. Hall got a visit from his two-age girlfriend.

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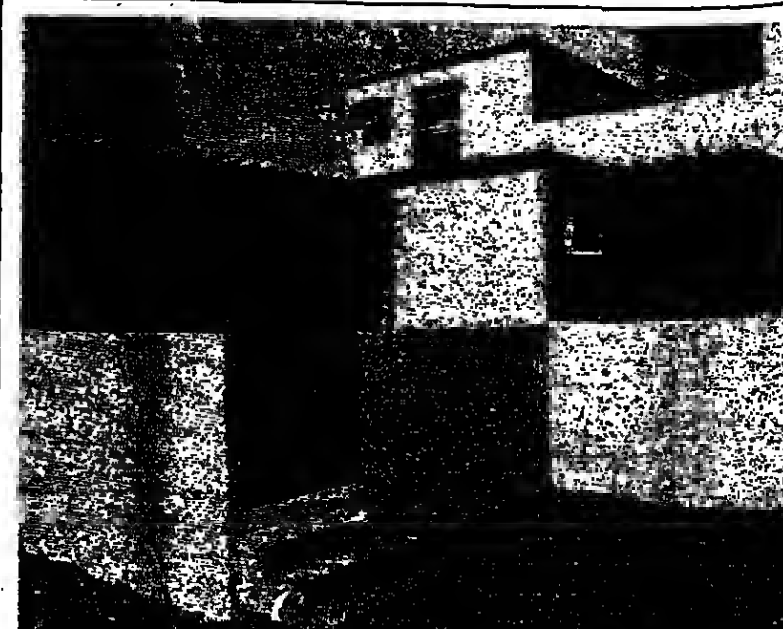
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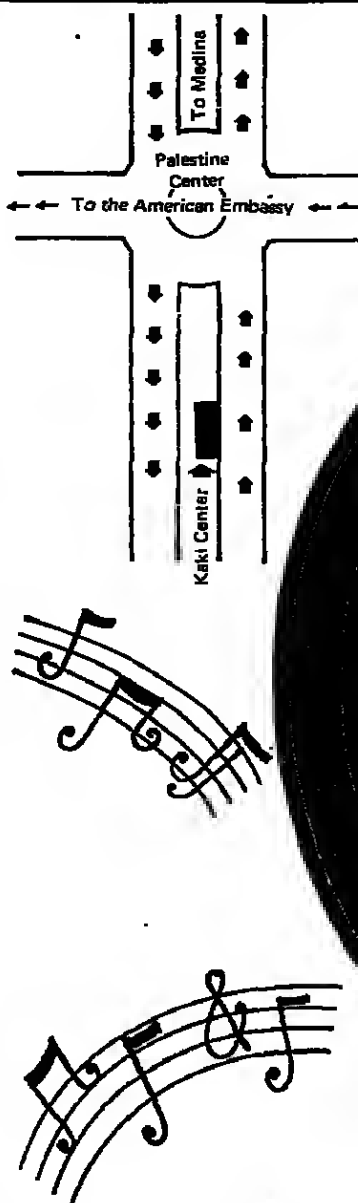
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## Democrats hunt jobs

## Carter government goes 'hat in hand'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (LAT) — "When you've been in the position of power with gavel in hand," representative Lionel Van Deerlin said, "it's not very appealing to approach people with hat in hand."

Van Deerlin is among the legions of



Walter Mondale

Democrats — from President Jimmy Carter and his cabinet officers to a host of senators and congressmen, plus thousands of congressional and executive department aides — who face imminent unemployment because of Ronald Reagan's Republican landslide. A nine-term California congressman, Van Deerlin had risen to chairmanship of the House subcommittee which writes the nation's communications law. His was considered a "safe" Democratic seat, but he lost by 9,000 votes to Duncan Hunter, a 32-year-old attorney.

"I'm nothing but used goods as far as elected office goes," Van Deerlin said, pondering his future. "I'm 66, yet I do have a lot of good years left." He said he is considering a professorship and an offer to write a newspaper column, but "I'm going to take time to making a decision."

The nation's capital has become accustomed to new faces and forced retirements over the years, but the scope of the impending turnover has no parallel in the memory of most Washington observers.

Not only did the Republicans capture the White House — and thus the 3,000 or so high-level federal jobs filled by presidential appointment — but they also gained control of the Senate, meaning that a thousand or more legislative staff positions controlled by Democrats for a quarter-century will shift to Republican hands.

"It's going to take a while for all of us to absorb the magnitude of this," said Al Eisele, 44, press secretary to Vice President Walter Mondale. "I thought we had a 50-50 chance (of winning the election), so I hadn't focused on how to make a living if we lost. I've just started doing that now."

So, apparently, has Eisele's boss. When Mondale, 52, his wife and son flew to the



Hamilton Jordan

Virgin Islands three days after the election, the vice president was carrying a stack of history books. While Eisele said Mondale has not decided what to do after he leaves office, he added, "There are two certainties: he will continue to remain active in public life, and he will maintain his base in Minnesota."

When Carter, 56, departs the White House in January, he will return to his native Georgia to write his memoirs. Beyond that, his plans are uncertain. According to White House Chief of Staff Jack Watson, 42, Carter has instructed that efforts be made to help presidential aides find employment. "All of

that will be done after working hours, but it will be done," Watson said, "because I think it's going to be necessary."

Another administration official explained that "there is a little delicacy involved here. The law prohibits people from looking for a job while they are still on the government payroll. There is a little cutting of corners here, especially if you are dickering for a job with someone in the area of policy you are working on."

Watson said he had "no earthly idea" what he personally will do after Jan. 20, and White House Press Secretary Jody Powell said, "I haven't thought about it."

Among other Carter aides, Hamilton Jordan, 36, is reported by associates to have expressed an interest in a visiting professorship at the University of Georgia, domestic affairs adviser Stuart Eizenstat, 37, may return to his Atlanta law firm, and foreign policy adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski, 52, has told friends he expects to stay in Washington, at least for a while, perhaps writing a book.

Some cabinet officers had planned to leave Washington soon, whether Carter won or lost the election. Secretary of Interior Cecil



George McGovern

Andrus, for instance, said months ago that he would be returning in January to his native Idaho because he was weary of the "silly games" played in Washington.

Others plan to remain in the capital. Secretary of Defense Harold Brown, 53, is expected to open a Washington consulting firm.

Six months ago, Edmund Muskie left a secure Senate seat — he would not have been up for re-election until 1982 — to become Carter's secretary of state. But Muskie is relaxed about his future, sources said, because he already has had offers from several Washington law firms. Muskie, 66, is eligible for a congressional pension. He is expected to spend a part of each year at his home in Maine.

Shirley Hufstедler, 55, who gave up a lifetime appointment as a federal appeals court judge in California to become the first secretary of education when the department was formed last spring, will return to her home in Pasadena. "She hasn't made a decision yet whether she's going to return to law, or go into politics — or a combination of the two," an aide said.

Some of the other big-name Democratic victims of the Reagan landslide — including Senators Frank Church, 56, of Idaho and Birch Bayh, 52, of Indiana, and Energy Secretary Charles Duncan Jr., 56, and Treasury Secretary G. William Miller, 55, — have no definite plans for the future, according to friends. But Senator George McGovern who was unelected in South Dakota, knows exactly what he will do.

McGovern, 55, said he would form a group known as the National Coalition for Common Sense and attempt to raise \$10 million to counter "extremist" right-wing groups which he blamed in part for his defeat. "I have concluded that the nation needs a powerful antidote to the poison of extremism," McGovern said.

Other defeated members of congress plan to go quietly into retirement.

Some of the soon-to-depart federal officials were on leaves of absence from private corporations and thus have no worries about future employment. For example, Les Daly, who had been the energy department's chief spokesman since last year, will return to Northrop Corp., where he was corporate vice president for public affairs.

## Soviets coaxing fuel-starved Europe into energy ties

PARIS, Dec. 9 (WP) — The United States recently warned its Western European allies about the dangers of increased energy dependence on the Soviet Union as intensive negotiations proceed for Western construction of a multibillion-dollar Soviet pipeline that would double gas deliveries to Western Europe.

U.S. sources said the American comments to the Europeans within the past few weeks conceded in advance that Washington recognizes the European need to diversify its energy sources. The Carter administration even authorized the Caterpillar Tractor Co. to bid on supply of pipe-laying equipment for the project.

U.S. diplomats have nevertheless been urging the Europeans to try to find alternatives to Soviet gas. The Americans are understood to have told the West Germans, French, Italians and Belgians, who would receive the

Soviet gas, that they should also seek "surge capacity" from friendly countries such as the Netherlands and Norway in case of a Soviet cutoff.

The French and West Germans have replied that the Soviets have always been reliable suppliers and that present proposals envisage a total West European dependency on Soviet energy of 5 per cent at most.

The Soviets have already clearly indicated, however, that they would like to wean Western Europe away from its partnership in energy matters with North America toward a more "natural" energy alliance with the Soviet Union. Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev has been pressing for some time for a pan-European energy conference as a follow-up to the Helsinki accords of 1975 on detente in Europe.

Soviet central committeeman Nicolai Portugolov wrote two lengthy commentaries for

the Soviet news Agency Tass in February alluding to the community of interests in energy problems between the Soviets and West Europeans, as opposed to U.S. actions that he said risked a conflagration in the vital Gulf oil region.

Since then, the Soviets have been trying to demonstrate the practicality of this appeal to Western Europe in a number of ways, starting with the natural gas negotiations to double deliveries from 25 billion cubic meters yearly by 1986.

Other Soviet moves have included providing some of the energy statistics the West has been demanding as a precondition to holding an energy conference and increased technical contacts such as a high-level Franco-Soviet energy colloquium in Moscow last week.

While West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and French President Valéry Gis-

card d'Estaing have written Brezhnev accepting in principle the idea of an East-West energy conference, West European analysts recognize a number of problems with current Soviet energy proposals and potential pitfalls with longer term projects.

Perhaps the greatest obstacle is the need for the Soviets to deal first with the energy needs of Eastern Europe as a lever to retain political control before diverting much larger amounts of energy exports to Western Europe.

Western analysts say that one of Moscow's objectives at an East-West energy conference would apparently be to get Western recognition of the Soviet position as Eastern spokesman for bloc-to-bloc arrangements, curbing the current freedom of Poland, for example, to make bilateral deals with France for Polish coal.

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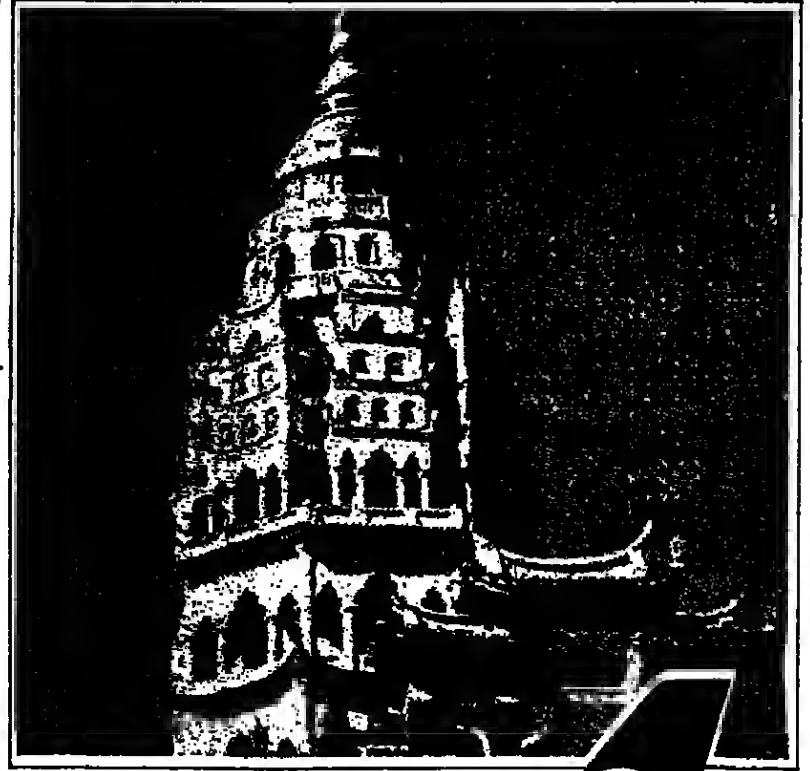
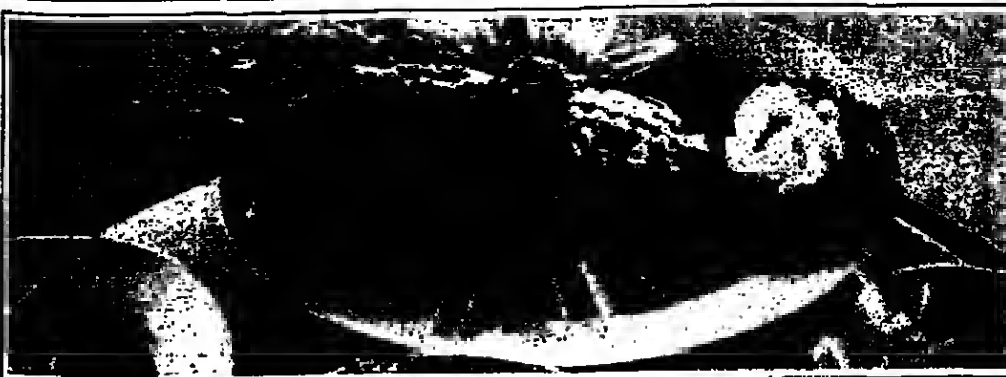
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## Raw sugar prices hit lowest levels

LONDON, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Raw sugar prices have fallen to their lowest levels for more than four months on the London market as the decline continued, but quotations for white (refined) sugar were less affected. Spot raw sugar prices were reduced by 20 pounds to 275 pounds a metric ton Monday to bring the loss to 135 pounds (33 per cent) since the 5 1/2-year peaks at the beginning of November.

Spot white sugar was cut 14 pounds to 305 pounds and is just under 100 pounds below the year's peak of 403 pounds in October.

The latest decline is blamed on rising U.S. interest rates, which have added to the cost of financing positions on the future market in New York, which in turn, has undermined sentiment in London despite rumors and partially substantiated reports of considerable international buying interest.

## U.S. pay to increase 12 per cent

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 (R) — U.S. pay increases next year will range from 9.8 to 12 per cent, according to a business-sponsored economic research organization. Pay has not kept pace with rising prices for the past two years and even the 1981 rises are unlikely to

match the index, labor economists said.

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## Normal Syria-Jordan ties prompt pumping of Iraqi oil

BAGHDAD, Dec. 9 (R) — Agreement between Iraq and Syria to reopen a vital crude oil pipeline is the result of successful attempts to defuse a border crisis between Syria and Iraq's close ally Jordan, diplomatic sources in Baghdad said. The closing of the pipeline and the border crisis both created a bitter rift in the Arab world over Iraq's war with Iran.

But Monday Syria and Jordan were reported pulling troops back from their common border after mediation by Saudi Arabia. The sources said this easing of tensions

also produced the decision to reopen the pipeline, which runs from north Iraq to Banias in Syria with a branch to Tripoli in Lebanon.

Both Iraq and Syria need the pipeline open, the sources added. The line to Banias and another through Turkey, which reopened two weeks ago, are Iraq's only way of exporting oil while its main terminals on the Gulf are closed by the war.

The Turkish line is carrying about 650,000 barrels per day (BPD) and the Syrian oil minister said Monday in Kuwait that the Banias line could take up to 500,000 barrels per day.

## In wake of Gulf war

## IEA aiming at fighting spot markets

PARIS, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Energy ministers of leading Western oil consuming countries and Japan have begun talks here on ways to avert a new escalation of oil prices in the wake of the war between Iraq and Iran. Ministers of the 21 member countries of the International Energy Agency (IEA) — the main industrial countries except France — assembled at IEA headquarters here for a working dinner Monday followed by a day-long formal session Tuesday.

Topping the agenda of the ministers are measures to preserve quiet conditions on the volatile spot market. Officials said the IEA countries intend to convey "strong signals" to oil ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), who are meeting next week in the Indonesian island of Bali.

Consumer countries will make it clear that they are prepared to continue drawing quantities of crude from their own stocks rather than seeking to compensate for the shortfall caused by the Gulf war through purchases on

the spot market. Monday night's working dinner was preceded by a busy series of bilateral consultations which included a meeting between outgoing U.S. energy secretary Charles Duncan and Rokusuke Tanaka, the Japanese minister for international trade and industry.

Duncan, who chaired Tuesday's ministerial talks, also held separate meetings with his British opposite number, David Howell, and West German economics minister Otto Lambsdorff. U.S. officials gave no details about the talks, but it was believed that the Japanese and West German ministers both explained why their governments are opposed to a U.S. proposal to introduce national oil import ceiling next year to curb demand for crude.

Sources said it now seemed clear that the Americans will not press this issue. Observers linked this to widespread speculation that the incoming Reagan administration might significantly modify America's policies in the field of energy.

## Libya seeks OPEC mediation to end Iraq-Iran conflict

KUWAIT, Dec. 9 (AP) — Libya will ask the ministerial conference of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to mediate a settlement between warring Iraq and Iran, the Libyan oil minister said Monday. "We hope the organization will rise up to the level of responsibility and ask Iraq and Iran to bring this blood letting to an end and then sit at a negotiating table to resolve all differences," Abdul Salam Zagar said in an interview.

The OPEC conference is scheduled for Dec. 15 in Bali, Indonesia. Zagar and eight other Arab oil ministers were here for the regular bi-annual conference of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC), which ended Monday.

He said the Venezuelan oil minister had tried to prod OPEC into mediation action between Iraq and Iran "but the climate of opinion was not propitious for this effort at the time."

Zagar expressed hopes the "positive aspects of the international situation will

overwhelm the negative aspects and facilitate an OPEC-wide mediation."

Zagar said Libya will not consider or approve any production increase by OPEC members to offset the oil supply shortfall caused by the Iraq-Iran war. The western countries, he said, have stockpiles of crude oil sufficient to meet their needs from three to four months.

Meanwhile, the Iraqi Oil Minister Tayeb Abdul Karim, told reporters his country will strongly reject any proposal to include the case of the Iranian oil minister, Mohammad Javad Tanguyan, who was taken prisoner by the Iraqis at the war front, on the OPEC conference agenda.

## Japan urges France to avoid involving trade with politics

PARIS, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Japanese Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ito, amid increasing Franco-Japanese trade friction, has told French Prime Minister Raymond Barre that the role of politicians is to avert the politicization of economic problems. A French source said the minister made this proposal of basic principles during a talk of more than one hour with the French prime minister Monday and that Barre gave his agreement.

The talks were part of a major economic summit here that observers described as a mission to appease Japan's European Economic Community (EEC) trading part-

ners during increasing Japanese penetration of European markets, especially the automotive sectors. The observers said the high level of the Japanese delegation showed that Japan was aware of the problems posed by its exports.

The Japanese-West European meetings are to continue all this week in other capitals as well.

A French source said that Barre stressed the orderly development of EEC-Japanese trade and the need to avoid resorting to protection, although sources in his entourage said some self-limitation of Japanese exports might be temporarily acceptable, even necessary.

The sources said however that it would be better to develop French exports to Japan and to have deeper cooperation, particularly at the level on businesses, to allow greater access for French products into the Japanese markets.

During the talk, Barre said it was necessary for the industrial democracies to join in a cooperation effort because of their responsibilities for peace.

It expressed agreement on these principles and said Tokyo was willing to intensify political cooperation with France and with European countries, the sources said.

After the talks, Ito said he and Barre undertook a general survey of world problems. The Japanese minister earlier met over lunch with Olivier Stern, the French secretary of state for foreign affairs. Stern reportedly stressed that political solidarity may rest on economic solidarity.

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## BRIEFS

LIMA, (R) — Striking oil workers have ended a six-day occupation of production rigs off the northern Peruvian coast and begun talks with management over their dispute, oil company officials said Monday. Officials of the U.S. Belco Petroleum Corporation said strikers surrendered control of 16 of the oil rigs and returned to their base port of Talara. Workers on Belco's 20 other platform ended their occupation Friday.

LONDON, (R) — The British overseas development administration Monday approved a \$15.1 million loan to Turkey to help refinance Turkish debts to Britain. The loan was made under arrangements agreed by an Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) working party and Turkey consortium which met in July to help Turkey with its external problem.

NEW YORK, (R) — A mood of concern over the Soviet Union and Poland sent share prices sharply down in heavy trading on Wall Street Monday, dealers said. Another factor driving down prices was the currently high U.S. interest rates which have been pushed up by the federal authorities in an effort to contain growing money supply and continued inflation.

KUALA LUMPUR, (R) — Delegates from Iraq and Iran sat across a conference table Monday at an international meeting on Regional Economic Cooperation, but there will be no talks between them on the war the two Gulf countries are fighting.

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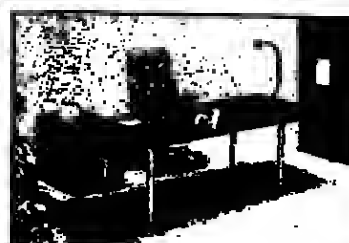
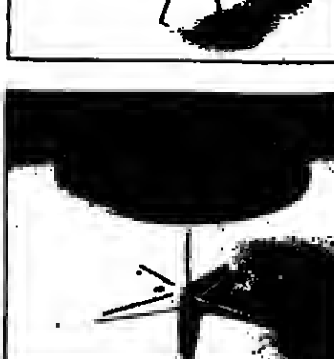
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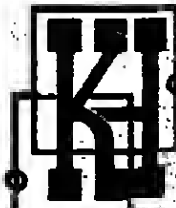
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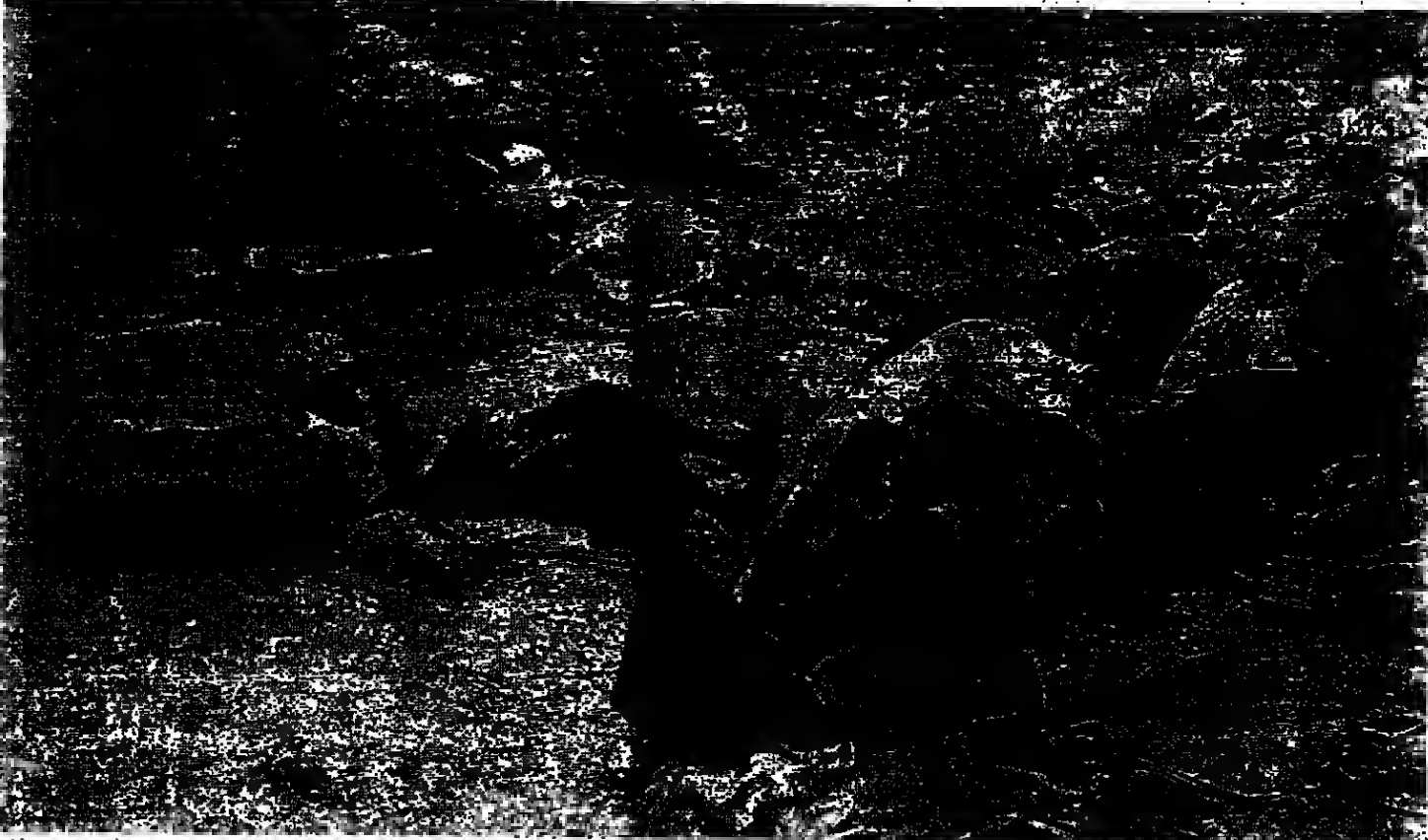
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In Pakistan's North

# Mountains shield remote valleys

WILLIAM JENKINS has traveled with his camera through many of the remotest parts of Asia. Arab News presents his photographs of Pakistan's high valleys.



CARAVANEERS : at rest in Babusar village, just below a Himalayan pass



LETTER-WRITER : one way of earning a living in Gilgit, a town in the Himalayas.



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## To Pakistan spinners

## W. Indies crashes

FAISALABAD, Pakistan, Dec. 9 (AP) — Pakistan's spinners reaped a rich harvest when the world champion West Indies' wickets stumble down for 235 runs in their first innings on the opening day in the second test match here at the Iqbal Stadium on Monday.

The Pakistan spinning trio of Nazir Junior, Abdul Qadir and Iqbal Qasim shared all the ten wickets sending West Indies back into the pavilion just a few minutes before close of play.

The Pakistan howlers exposed the weakness of the Indies on a turning pitch and collected all the honor of the day. Except Viv

## Jausovec ousted

ADELAIDE, Australia, Dec. 9 (AP) — Australia's Elizabeth Sayers swept to a stylish 6-1, 6-3 win over seventh-seeded Mina Jausovec of Yugoslavia in the first upset of the \$125,000 National Panasonic South Australia Women's Open at Memorial Drive courts here on Tuesday.

Using brilliant fore-hand shots the 17-year-old broke Jausovec's serve three times in the first set.

Jausovec, ranked number 19 in the world, was forced into many errors and lost concentration.

Sayers' last major victory was over Britain's Sue Barker in the Queensland open final earlier this season.

The tournament's number five seed, Sue Barker, got away to a slow start against Elizabeth Little of Australia before going on to a 6-2, 6-3 victory.

Richards who made 72 and opener Faud Bacchus with a determined 45 none of the other tourists batsmen could face the spinners with any confidence.

Thirty-five-year-old Nazir Junior, playing the sixth test of his career, turned out a splendid performance with a sustained spell of accurate bowling to finish with five for 44 from 22 overs. He was lent admirable support by leg spinner Abdul Qadir who claimed three for 48 and Iqbal Qasim who captured two for 54.

Clive Lloyd won the toss and decided to bat first on what looked like a batting paradise for the batsmen. But West Indies worries began from the moment Iqbal Qasim was brought into the attack after Imran and Iskander Bakht and shared eight overs with the new ball. Haynes was on fifteen in the total of 39 when Iqbal Qasim trapped Haynes in front of wicket.

At lunch, the West Indies were 89 for one wicket, Bacchus batting with 45 and Richards with 14.

But between lunch and tea, West Indies lost four wickets and at tea was 183 for five with Richards batting 49 and Murray three. Batsmen out during post lunch game were Kallicharan (8) Lloyd (20), Bacchus (45) and Gomes (8).

Bacchus, who was playing solid cricket was out when he tried to hit out in the second over after lunch.

Following Bacchus' departure the West Indies began to lose wickets at frequent intervals as the home team bowlers gradually started gaining ascendancy.



OUT: Desmond Haynes, who scored only fifteen runs against Pakistan, seen during a century in the Lords Test in June.

## Fashanu refuses offer

LONDON, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Norwich City manager Ken Brown can resign himself to losing colored striker Justin Fashanu, and perhaps before the English First Division's leading scorer celebrates his 20th birthday in two months time.

The London-born Fashanu turned down the offer on Monday of a new contract, his third in a year, that would have made him one of the highest paid players in the league and kept him at Norwich for at least three years.

Fashanu, who at 19 already has own personal manager and is building a "showbiz" image aimed at making him a millionaire before he is 26, has made it clear that he sees his long-term future with a big name club rather than in East Anglia.

## New Zealand facing tough match

## India confident in Cup

PERTH, Australia, Dec. 9 (AP) — Bury New Zealand swing bowler Lance Cairns is nursing a bruised left elbow, but is confident of being fit to play in the Benson and Hedges World Series Cup match against India at the West Australian Cricket Ground Tuesday.

Because of the doubt over Cairns, the New Zealand selectors will delay picking the side until shortly before the match starts at 10:30 a.m. (Perth time).

Cairns, a right-hand batsman and bowler, had a solid workout in the nets Monday.

"We are still concerned over his fitness," said team manager Ian Taylor. "We will have to wait until the morning to see how the elbow is."

Cairns was hit on the left elbow when batting in the nets last Saturday and was unfit for Sunday's game against Australia in Melbourne.

If he is fit to play Tuesday, he is likely to replace left-hand spinner Stephen Boock, who dismissed Greg Chappell and Doug Walters in Sunday's game.

New Zealand captain Geoff Howarth did not practice Monday and the side will be led Tuesday by Mark Burgess.

On Wednesday, Howarth will have the seven stitches removed from the webbing at the bottom of his middle finger on his right hand and he has bright prospects of being fit.

## Johnston set to move

MIDDLESBROUGH, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Middlesbrough midfielder star Craig Johnston, rated one of the best young players in the English First Division, will be available for transfer next year.

The Johannesburg-born Johnston, 20, has turned down a new improved contract, and Middlesbrough admit they are set to lose a player who paid his own fare from Australia to join the north-east club five years ago.

## Rugby re-scheduled

JEDDAH, Dec. 9 — The forthcoming rugby match between Jeddah and Taif has been rearranged and will now take place on Friday, Dec. 12, at the Jeddah Arms Park ground. Kick-off is scheduled for 3:00 p.m.



HIGH: Gundappa Viswanath, one of the India team said to be in high spirits before their Cup match against New Zealand

## UPM holds first-ever Meet

By Jean Grant

DHAHRAN, Dec. 9 — N. Al-Dossary set a new college record for the 400 meter race at the first UPM (University of Petroleum and Minerals) Open Track and Field Meet held December 1. Al-Dossary, a high school student, raced past the finish line in 51.4 seconds topping former record of 52.3 seconds by Sulaim. In so doing he beat E. Owers, a dominant figure in Eastern Province running who clocked in at 53.29 seconds.

The college record for the high jump was equalled by Al-Korre and K. Bergfield who both cleared 1.80 meters. Al-Homoud matched the college record for the 200 meter run while P. Davey's time of 4.22.7 minutes for the 1500 meters was only seconds outside the record. In a dramatic finish, Davey came up from behind J. Jones to win by a stride.

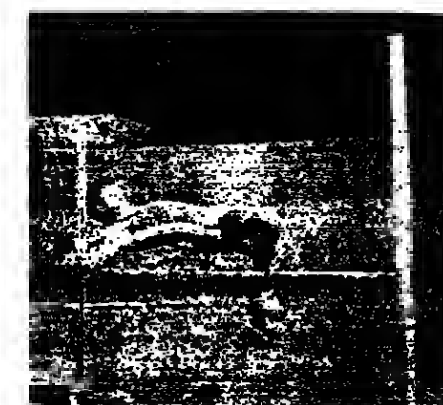
Aramoon Gary Santi never once lost his lead in the 10,000 meter and streaked across the finishing line in 33.01 minutes.

After clearing 3.80 meters at the pole vault, promising young Emad El-Homoud attempted to set a new varsity record of 3.85 but failed.

Saudi athletes took most of the honors in the competition which was open to all men of any nationality in the Eastern Province.

The meet took place at the new UPM stadium, and in order to protect the astroturf, rubber rather than lead discs and shot puts were thrown so they would bounce lightly off the turf rather than cutting into it. The javelin had its sharp tip cut off and replaced by a softer material so it would not pierce the astroturf as it landed.

The next open meet will be at the UPM stadium December 15 at 6 p.m.



OVER: K. Bergfield clears the bar on his way to second place



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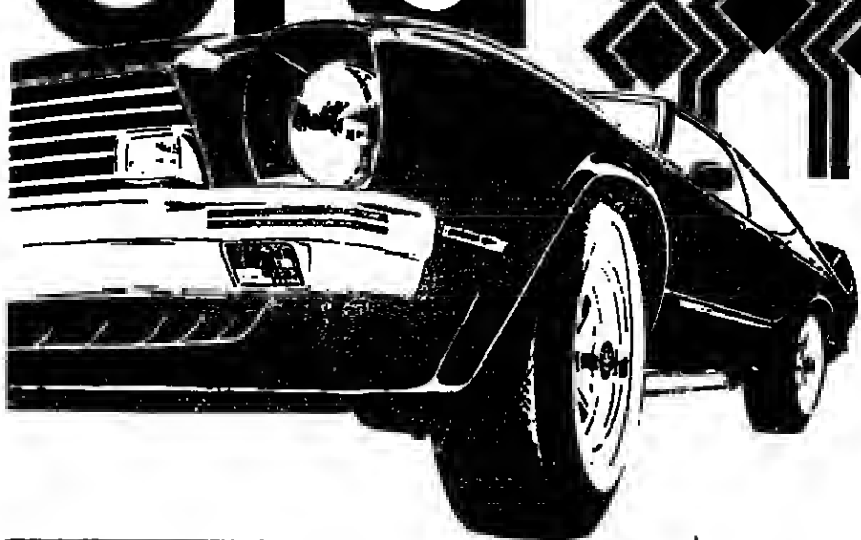
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**ILTF officials say**

## Prague disputes to cause Davis Cup rule changes

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Dec. 9 (AP) — The Davis Cup, for the first time in its 80-year-old history, was in the hands of an Eastern European and Communist nation Monday following Czechoslovakia's 4-1 triumph over Italy in the final of the year-long multi-nation competition.

The stormy three-day competition, which ended Sunday, is expected to result in further changes in the cup rules aimed at reducing disputes on line calls that marred the play here, sources in the International Lawn Tennis Federation (ILTF) said.

The most likely and immediate innovation was expected to be the naming of international chair umpires to run the matches, eliminating the match referee, said ILTF President Philippe Chatrier of France.

Many ILTF officials feel that is not enough.

They say the linesmen, as well as the chair umpire, should be from countries other than the two finalists. Under present rules, the ILTF names the referee, but umpires and linesmen come from the country organizing the final.

The Davis Cup already had undergone two major changes to keep alive interest in the tournament. The first was the eliminating of the old style challenge round, forcing winners to go through the qualification rounds the following year.

The second change, which becomes effective next year, will eliminate the traditional division of qualification groups by zones. This system pitted the same teams against one another year after year. The new format calls for 16 seeded teams to battle for the title, with first round losers facing the winners of

four qualification rounds to fill the 16 spots for 1982.

Starting next year, the cup also will have a sponsor. A Japanese company that has put \$1 million in the competition, \$200,000 going to the winner. Ironically, Czechoslovakia will not be one of the top four 1981 seeds, and is likely to be pitted against the United States in the second round. Next year's draw was made last June on the basis of past performances, and the Americans, Argentina, Australia and Italy were awarded the top honors.

"This is terrible," lamented Czechoslovak veteran Jan Kodes. "The draw could have been done later and I feel it should be done again now, putting us in place of Australia." After the draw, Czechoslovakia went to Buenos Aires and stunned the tennis world by eliminating heavily favored Argentina and qualification for the showdown against Italy.

Czechoslovakia clinched the cup in the first two days. Ivan Lendl downed Corrado Barazzutti in four sets, and Tomas Smid outlasted Adriano Panatta in a five-set struggle Friday. Smid and Lendl beat Panatta and Paolo Bertolucci 3-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 in the doubles. Two singles on Sunday became a formality and were trimmed to the best of three sets. Barazzutti beat Smid 3-6, 6-3, 6-2 and Lendl defeated Gianni Occhipinti 6-3, 6-3.

The first two days in the winter sports arena featured several disputes on line calls, with the crowd of 12,000, including some 1,600 vociferous Italians, interfering with shouts and jeers.

## Ballesteros withdraws from World Cup Golf



Severiano Ballesteros

BOGOTA, Dec. 9 (R) — Spanish star Severiano Ballesteros, the U.S. Masters champion, has withdrawn from the World Cup Golf tournament which begins this week in Bogota, depriving the event of one of its star attractions.

Organizers said the 23-year-old Spaniard left for home this morning after complaining of feeling tired and unwell. Ballesteros played in the Colombian Open which ended Sunday and after three rounds was just one stroke behind West German Bernhard Langer. But he shot a disastrous last round 80 to drop to 16th place while Langer-Poe went on to win by six strokes.

Jose Canizares replaces Ballesteros and joins Manuel Pinero on the Spanish team. The 28th World Cup begins on Thursday with two-man teams from 50 countries taking part, according to the official list. It is being held at the Rincon De Cajica Club, 40 kms (25 miles) north of Bogota at 2,650 meters (8,700 feet) above sea level.

## Frankfurt seeks UEFA win

LONDON, Dec. 9 (R) — Eintracht Frankfurt, the holders, alone among the 16 soccer clubs seeking quarter-final places in the UEFA cup Wednesday suffered defeat at the weekend.

They lost 2-1 at Dortmund, dropping to sixth place in the West German league, and travel to France for the second leg against Sochaux aware that their 4-2 home leg win is less decisive than it sounded on the night.

Sochaux, who topped up with a 2-1 victory over Nimes, must hope that the late goals they scored in Frankfurt are enough to

invoke the away-goal rule.

West German clubs monopolized the semi-finals last year but one at least must bow out Wednesday as Cologne are paired with Stuttgart. A 4-1 win over Bochum hoisted Stuttgart above Frankfurt in the Bundesliga and their 3-1 first leg victory may carry them through.

The other West Germans, Hamburg, face a mountainous task in France, needing to wipe out the five-goal deficit they suffered at St Etienne.

The Poles of Widzew Lodz, though, at home face a prospect almost as bleak as Hamburg's when they resume operations against the English survivors, Ipswich, 5-0 down.

Goalkeeper Jozef Mlynarczyk, flown home from Rome following a flareup with Poland's manager en route for the World Cup match in Malta, will presumably miss Wednesday's leg.

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## Britain's Sibson wins seventh round knockout

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TONY SIBSON: during a fight earlier in the year against Puerto Rican Marcho Bernardi in the Royal Albert Hall.

LONDON, Dec. 9 (R) — Tony Sibson of Britain won the European Middleweight Boxing title when he knocked out defending champion Matteo Salvemini of Italy in the seventh round of their scheduled 12-round fight at the Royal Albert Hall.

Although he's only 22, this was Sibson's 43rd fight and his long apprenticeship reaped dividends as he ended Salvemini's reign as champion in classic fashion.

The Italian, who wrested the title just three months ago from another Briton, veteran Kevin Finnegan, was driven against the ropes by a punishing body blow towards the end of the seventh.

As Salvemini's head dropped, Sibson, who had been the aggressor throughout, connected with a combination of punches and the Italian crumpled to the canvas — a sudden and stunning end to his undefeated career record of 22 fights.

The knockout came at 2:48 of the seventh round.

In other boxing news, four world title fights, including one between light-heavyweight champions Matthew Saad Muhammad and Eddie Mustafa Muhammad, will be held at Madison Square Garden on February 21, the promoters announced Monday.

Also on the program will be a 10-round heavyweight bout between unheated Gerry Cooney, the number one contender, and former champion Ken Norton,

who is on a comeback trail after a 16-month retirement.

The purses for the 10 boxers in the five fights total \$8.55 million, making the promotion one of the most ambitious in boxing history.

The All-American bout between Saad Muhammad, the World Boxing Council (WBC) champion, and Mustafa Muhammad, the World Boxing Association (WBA) titleholder, will crown an undisputed champion in the light-heavyweight division.

Others defending their titles will be American Tommy Hearn, the WBA welterweight champion, Himer Kenty of the United States, the WBA lightweight champion, and Wilfredo Gomez of Puerto Rico, the WBC super-bantamweight champion.

Hearn meets Wilfredo Benitez of Puerto Rico, a former WBC welterweight champion, Kenty faces Alexis Arguello of Nicaragua, a former WBA featherweight champion and WBC junior-lightweight champion, and Gomez takes on Texan Mike Ayaka, the WBC's number one contender.

All five fights will be shown on closed-circuit television at some 500 locations to the United States and Canada, and will be beamed to television viewers throughout the world. The promoters include Muhammad Ali Professional Sports (MAF), which is headed by the former-heavyweight champion.

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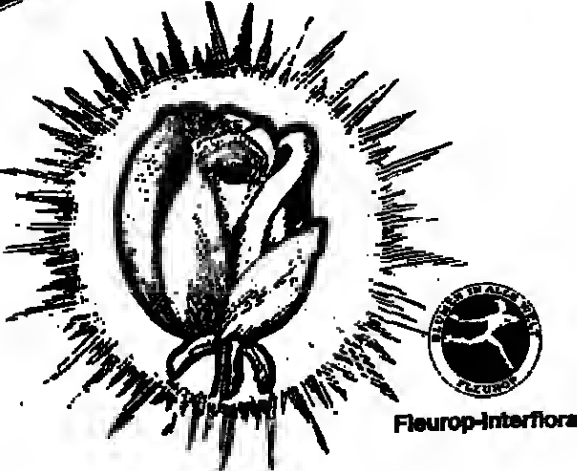
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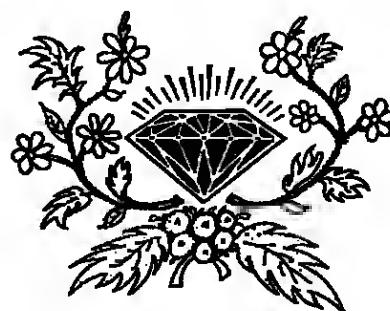
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## 'Interference' criticized Brezhnev scolded in Gandhi speech

NEW DELHI, Dec. 9 (AP) — Prime Minister Indira Gandhi told Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev Tuesday that India wants no further interference in the affairs of its neighbors.

"We sincerely hope that the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-aligned status of the countries in the region will not come under strain or jeopardy through conflict and intolerance," Mrs. Gandhi declared at a heavily guarded indoor civic meeting for the visiting Soviet state and Communist Party chief.

Accompanied by declarations of Indo-Soviet friendship and praise for Brezhnev as a world statesman, the woman leader's message about non-interference was regarded as a strong reference to the Soviet military presence in Afghanistan and the Muslim insurrection there.

It was the second such Indian message in two days for the Soviet leader. Indian President Neelam Sanjiva Reddy told him at a Monday night banquet that "we in India remain opposed to any form of intervention — covert or overt — by outside forces in the internal affairs of the region."

Afghanistan, the most sensitive issue in Indo-Soviet relations, prompted Soviet and Indian authorities to shift the meeting — billed as a "mass rally of citizens" — to an indoor assembly hall where it was attended by about 1,000 invited guests. The originally

announced outdoor location was the historic Red Fort, but the presence of militant Afghan exiles in the capital forced that shift indoors on Soviet advice, Indian officials said.

Some Afghan, Muslim and other Indian political groups staged two anti-Soviet demonstrations Monday, the day of Brezhnev's arrival, and his motorcade was diverted to avoid one of them.



Indira Gandhi

### Brezhnev schedule changed

## Police seek Afghan 'hit' men

NEW DELHI, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Indian security police believe a three-man Afghan team, one of them a crack shot, is in the Indian capital, a top police source said Tuesday as Indian and Soviet security men agreed to tighten their guard on visiting Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev.

Word on the "hit" team explains the last-minute changes in Brezhnev's program, the source, who had access to classified information, said. Two of the Afghans came from Pakistan about two weeks ago and joined the third, who had already arrived here, also from Pakistan, the unnamed source said. The three Afghans are still at large.

Twenty-seven Afghans who had arrived in Delhi's Palam airport Monday night from Lahore, Pakistan, were detained by airport security police, pending a thorough investigation, the source said. Monday the Indian security police strongly advised the government either to cancel all Brezhnev's public appearances or change the open outdoor locations to indoors.

Consequently the open air civic reception for Brezhnev late Tuesday was shifted from the Muslim-populated Red Fort area in Old

Delhi to a big hall in New Delhi.

Not satisfied with the change in location, the administration imposed restrictions on movement of people near "Vigyan Bhawan," where the reception was held. Entry to the hall was restricted to selected few holding a special invitation card.

The Indian capital has never seen the tight security measures as those imposed for Brezhnev, a long-time resident said. Security measures were more relaxed when U.S. President Jimmy Carter visited India in January 1978, observers noted.

The open civic reception was the only public appearance of Brezhnev after the cancellation of the traditional ceremony in which visiting foreign dignitaries place a floral wreath at the mausoleum of Mahatma Gandhi.

Monday, angry and disgruntled Afghan refugees held two separate demonstrations — the first at the ceremonial route of the Soviet president and the second at the heavily-guarded Soviet Embassy.

During Brezhnev's brief appearance at the airport, he was flanked by three hefty Soviet security agents who formed a human wall

## 'Gang' leader indifferent Widow screams accusations at Jiang

PEKING, Dec. 9 (AP) — A livid, screaming widow accused Chairman Mao's widow Jiang Qing in court Tuesday of ordering the ransacking of her house and the fatal persecution of her film director husband 14 years ago.

The courtroom was pierced by shrieks of "Jiang Qing" and "Lan Ping," — the screen name meaning "Blue Apple" used by Jiang Qing in her movie star days in the 1930s. Millions of television viewers saw the confrontation in the trial of the "Gang of Four" and watched the defendant sit back calmly and adjust earphone.

The 67-year-old Jiang Qing later denied she had anything to do with the search of houses, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

The witness, pale and trembling in anger, was identified as Huang Chen, a former Shanghai actress herself and the widow of Zheng Junli. She and her husband were close associates of the defendant in her days of struggle and modest stardom in Shanghai.

Jiang Qing was charged Tuesday with ordering thugs disguised as Red Guards to invade and ransack the house of five of her old Shanghai associates. She allegedly ordered the search for a certain unidentified letter that was reported to contain incriminating information about her shady past.

Of the five victims of the search, two later died of persecution, one was imprisoned for five years and one was severely humiliated, official reports say. Jiang Qing, has been defiant and argumentative in her two previous court hearings, admitting evidence but never guilt, according to official reports.

On Tuesday, however, she was first stunned to see the gray-haired and angry Madame Wang, her old colleague, the Chinese news agency reported.

"Ah Huang," she reported exclaimed on seeing her furious accuser.

"I don't care to speak to you," Huang said, cutting the defendant short. "Your name was Lan Ping (Blue Apple), wasn't it? You have no right to talk to me."

## 'Social reformers' marked for purge by Reaganites

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (Guardian) — The Reagan transition team at the State Department has recommended a purge of the "social reformers" in the office which deals with Latin America and the Caribbean.

The report by transition officials is also sharply critical of Robert White, the U.S. ambassador to El Salvador, who is chastised for supporting proposals by the ruling Christian Democrat junta for land redistribution and the nationalization of the banking system.

Details of the recommendations being made to the President-elect Ronald Reagan became known last week as a result of a leak to the *New York Times*. Its recommendations could be highly embarrassing at a time when the outgoing Carter administration is struggling to prevent further strife between the extreme right and the left in El Salvador.

There have also been suggestions here by Haitian exiles that the recent roundup opposition politicians and journalists on the island may have been partly been encouraged by hopes that the Reagan administration will take a softer line on human rights in the Caribbean.

The report by the Reagan team, was prepared by Pedro San Juan, and recently delivered to the president-elect's transition offices in Washington. San Juan, who worked as a State Department adviser during the Kennedy years and has worked at the Defense Department suggested in an article published last week that U.S. denial of military technology to Argentina had helped the Russians increase their influence there.

The report attacks the influence of Carter's National Security Council on Latin American policy by strengthening the authority of the assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs.

On human rights, the report argues, the new administration should take a more balanced position toward violence "making clear that terrorism is as inhumane as repression. It should also avoid confrontations with governments accused of human rights violations, the reports said.

It calls for a change in stance on military aid to Latin America. "Internal policy-making procedures should be structured to insure that the human rights area is not in a position to paralyze or unduly delay decisions on issues where human rights conflict with other vital U.S. interests."

Reagan advisers last week informed a delegation of right-wing businessmen from El Salvador that the new administration would increase military aid in order to help security forces deal with left-wing guerrillas.

With the rising level of violence in El Salvador the remarks clearly irritated the U.S. ambassador Mr. White who has called on the Christian Democrat junta to round up the right-wingers believed to be responsible for the recent slaying of six left-wing activist leaders, who were buried in the capital of San Salvador last week.

Madam Huang, testified about the ransacking of the house, the report said, "and how her husband was taken into custody and died from tortures there two years later."

A pale, sullen figure, the woman turned on Jiang Qing and was quoted as saying in a quavering voice, "It was just because we knew what you were like in the 30s and

because of that letter of yours which you wanted to cover up, that you had my family broken up and my husband killed. How cruel you are."

The indictment says Jiang Qing engineered the search of the houses of her old associates because she wanted to find a particular letter. Its contents were not revealed.



(AP photo)

DEFINITE: Jiang Qing, widow of Mao Tse-tung, sits definitely in the dock of the Peking auditorium where she and other members of the "Gang of Four" are on trial.

### NATO cautions U.S.

## Polish farmers call for union

WARSAW, Dec. 9 (Agencies) — Poland's private farmers, producers of three-fourths of the country's food, said Tuesday they were sending delegates to Warsaw to press their case for an independent labor union. "We want people to know we are really a large group and that we really exist," said Jerzy Geresz, a spokesman for Farmers Solidarity, a group allied with Poland's Solidarity independent labor organization.

Meanwhile, Warsaw's largest newspaper published an appeal for Poles to remain calm in the face of rumors and domestic problems. "In our common interest, let us be cooler," the front-page commentary said, noting, "people are gossiping about everything."

The appeal came one day after Soviet and East German news agencies attacked Solidarity, charging that "counter-revolutionaries" had caused new disruptions at a spark plug factory in the city of Kielce.

And in Brussels military experts of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization were studying the advisability of ordering a limited alert in case of Soviet intervention in Poland, a reliable source disclosed as NATO Defense

ministers convened Tuesday.

But at least two ministers — of Britain and West Germany — warned against a Western military move that might increase tension.

European diplomats expressed astonishment over Washington's insistence on repeatedly warning of a Soviet threat to Poland. "Such statements could be interpreted as provocation," commented one diplomatic source. "One has the impression that the Carter administration wants to do everything possible before leaving office to avoid looking like softie."

British Defense Secretary Francis Pym told the other ministers that Poland was mainly a political question that should not result in military signals from NATO. Informed sources said, West German Defense Minister Hans Apel said, "We should be extremely prudent in our statements on Poland. We must avoid anything that could be interpreted the wrong way (by the Soviet Union)."

But an allied military source said that it was normal to contemplate possible Western military steps such as ordering allied naval units in the Atlantic on the alert.

## Yen dominates currency markets; gold prices lower

LONDON, Dec. 9 (AP) — The dollar was higher against all leading world currencies except the Japanese yen Tuesday as increased U.S. interest rates continued to dominate market considerations. Bullion was lower in early trading.

European dealers said high U.S. interest rates (the prime rate of major American banks stood at 19 per cent Friday) was the key factor and that predictions of a further hike in dollar interest levels "haven't gone unnoticed."

In Tokyo, where markets close before those in Europe open, the dollar recovered much lost ground after declining Monday but still closed slightly lower. The closing price was 209.3 Japanese yen compared with 209.65 at the close Monday. In early Tokyo trading Tuesday the dollar dropped to 217.4 yen. But traders with bills to pay in dollars started buying the U.S. currency and pushed it back up.

In London, it cost less to buy a British pound — \$2.3375 compared with \$2.341 on Monday.

Gold opened lower in quiet trading. Bullion dealers said the strengthening dollar was keeping gold prices down.

Gold was quoted at \$612.50 an ounce in both London and Zurich compared with \$617 at the close in London Monday and \$616.50 in Zurich. Silver also was lower. It was quoted in London at \$17.30 an ounce compared with \$17.70.

### Art collection raided

PARIS, Dec. 9 (AFP) — Five valuable paintings including a Van Gogh, Picasso, and a Matisse worth millions of francs were stolen during the night from the flat here on wealthy industrialist Daniel Ledery.

Police said that the paintings were stolen over the weekend when the owner was away, but there were no signs of a break-in. The thieves ignored other works of lesser value.

The stolen paintings were a Van provincial landscape, a bouquet of tulips by Matisse, a work of Picasso from his blue period, a country house by Dufy and a landscape by La

## Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

We offer thanks usually for our more obvious blessings: good health, children, livelihood. But there are blessings — many of them we might call "negative," or "There but for the grace of God" — which we hardly note.

For instance, I feel happy that I wasn't born a foreigner. Imagine having to learn Arabic from scratch. (I thought long and hard about this one, and found it the only advantage in being a present-day Arab.)

Few appreciate the advantages of, and consequently are grateful for, not coming from a wealthy family. For then you would have gone from school straight to university, and stayed there until you got a good degree. But then what? A career as a teacher, at best, with hard work and little return. Now coming from a poor home has its disadvantages. But it is what pushes you early into a down-to-earth career that allows you to achieve the independence and wealth which over-education seems to prevent.

You also can give thanks for not marrying that famous "first love." (Or, to be accurate, for that "first love's" refusal to marry you.) For, looking at the lady years later, seeing what time and trouble have made of her, you see how close you came to oblivion.

For my part I am grateful that the British tax collectors have not yet devised ways of reading one's mind; that I never learned to smoke; that I don't look for my livelihood in Chad or Upper Volta.

Translated from Ashraf Al Awad

## Battle site found

LONDON, Dec. 9 (AP) — British Museum archaeologists have excavated an eastern England battlefield site where the ancient British Iceni tribe made its last stand against Roman invaders. The battle is described in the works of Tacitus, the Roman historian.

Excavators said the dig confirms the historian's account that after the Roman soldiers stormed the earthen fortress, it was leveled by tumbling its walls into the surrounding ditch. Pottery and coin dated between 40 and 50 A.D. were found.

Nearby, the remains of a sumptuous Roman palace and administrative center have been uncovered. It probably was built about 100 years after the battle, for the Roman procurator of this district in the flat, fertile countryside of Cambridgeshire.

The palace was more than 300 meters long with walls 1.2 meters thick. It had a tile roof, stone bath house, mosaic floors, glass windows and central heating. Dr. Timothy Potter, of the British Museum, said.



(Express photo)

BLUNDER: An inquiry is underway in Britain into the mistaken demolition of historic Monkspath Hall, near Solihull, by a bulldozer driver following a map provided by town officials. The building that should have been a cowshed described by witnesses as "broken down."

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